DESCRIPTION

OF

ANCIENT ROME,

CONTAINING

A SHORT ACCOUNT

OF THE

Principal Buildings, Places, &c. noticed in the annexed Plan of that city, drawn from an actual furvey, by Leonardo Bufalino, in the year 1551; reduced to a fmaller scale by J. B. Nolli, in 1748; and now republished: with references to the passages in M. Rollin's History of the Roman Republic, and M. Crevier's History of the Roman Emperors, where they are mentioned.

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DIRECTIONS

For readily finding the

PRINCIPAL BUILDINGS, PLACES, &c.

OF

ANCIENT ROME,

Noticed in the annexed Plan of that City.

By descending from the capital letters A, B, C, &c. at the top of this plan, to the corresponding letters at the bottom; and traversing it from the Italic letters a, b, c, &c. at the sides; the eye will be guided to the spot sought for. For instance: the Coliseum, marked in the article Theatres and AM-PHITHEATRES, with the letters DE. e; stands between the letters D and E at the top of this plan, and overagainst the letter e at the sides.—The gate Nomentana, now St. Agnes (H. c), under the article GATES, will be found exactly where a line drawn down from H, and another a-cross from c, would intersect each other.—The Temple of Antoninus and Faustina, not expressed by name in the body of the plan, but designated in the side references by the figures 284, and marked under the article Temples (D. de. 284), will be found under the letter D, and between d and e, indicated in the plan by the figures 284.—And so of the rest.

E shall begin this explanation of the annexed plan of Rome, with the general division of that city into wards or regions, as collected by B. Kennett from the accurate Panvinius; and then range, under their respective alphabetical heads, the principal places and buildings mentioned therein; in order to facilitate the means of finding their several situations.

The Division of ROME into WARDS, or REGIONS.

Romulus divided his little city into three tribes 2; and Servius Tullius added a fourth ; which division continued till the time of Augustus, who first instituted the fourteen regions or wards c.

The First Region, called PORTA CAPENA (DF. gh), contained

9 Streets.

3 Luci, or consecrated 4 Arches.

groves.

4 Temples.

6 Ædes, or sacred buildings.

6 Public baths.

14 Granaries.

12 Mills for grinding

corn.

121 Domi, or great houses.

The whole compass of this ward was 13223 feet.

² See Rollin's Rom. Hist. Vol. I. p. 23. b Id. ibid. p. 50. See Crevier's Rom. Emperors, Vol. I. p. 219.

REGION II. COELIMONTIUM (DF. eg).

12 Streets.

80 Private baths.

2 Luci.

The great shambles.

5 Temples.

23 Granaries.

The public baths of the 23 Mills.

city.

133 Great houses.

The compass 13200 feet.

REGION III. ISIS and SERAPIS (CD. bc).

8 Streets.

jan, and Philip.

2 Temples.

19, or, some say, 29 Gra-

The amphitheatre of Vespasian. 23 Mills.

The baths of Titus, Tra- 160 Great houses.

naries.

The compass 12450 feet.

REGION IV. VIA SACRA, or TEMPLUM PACIS (CE. df).

8 Streets.

verus, and Constantine.

10 Temples.

75 Private baths.

The colossus of the sun, 18 Granaries.

120 feet high. The arches of Titus, Se- 138 Great houses.

24 Mills.

The compass, according to some, only 8000; according to others, 14000 feet.

REGION V. ESQUILINA (FH. df).

8 Luci.

75 Public baths.

18 Granaries.

6 Temples.

22 Mills.

5 Ædes.

180 Great houses.

The compass 15950 feet.

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REGION VI. ACTA SEMITA (DE. c. d).

12, or 13 Streets.

75 Private baths.

15 Temples.

19 Granaries.

2 Porticos.

23 Mills.

2 Circi.

155 Great houses.

2 Fora.

The compass 15600 feet.

REGION VII. VIA LATA (DE. ac).

40 Streets.

17 Mills.

4 Temples.

25 Granaries.

75 Private baths. 3 Arches.

120 Great houses.

The compass 23700 feet.

REGION VIII. FORUM ROMANUM (CE. de).

12 Streets.

4 Curiæ.

21 Temples.

7 Basilicæ.

66 Private baths.

6 Columns. 18 Granaries.

10 Ædes.

30 Mills.

9 Porticos. 4 Arches.

150 Great houses.

7 Fora.

The compass 14876 feet.

REGION IX. CIRCUS FLAMINIUS (AC. ce).

20 Streets.

2 Curiæ.

8 Temples.

5 Baths.

20 Ædes.

2 Arches.

12 Porticos.

2 Columns.

2 Circi.

32 Mills.

4 Theatres.

32 Granaries.

3 Basilica.

189 Great houses.

The compass 30560 feet.

DESCRIPTIONOF

REGION X. PALATIUM (CE. ce).

Streets.

10 Temples.

Ædes.

I Theatre.

4 Curiæ.

15 Private baths.

12 Mills.

16 Granaries.

109 Great houses.

The compass 11600 feet.

REGION XI. CIRCUS MAXIMUS (D. ef).

8 Streets.

16 Granaries.

22 Ædes.

12 Mills.

15 Private baths.

189 Great houses.

The compass 11600 feet.

REGION XII. PISCINA PUBLICA (DE. fb).

12 Streets.

28 Granaries.

2 Ædes.
25 Mills.
68 Private baths.
128 Great houses.

The compass 12000 feet.

REGION XIII. AVENTINUS (CE. eb).

17 Streets.

36 Granaries.

6 Luci.

30 Mills.

6 Temples.

155 Great houses.

74 Private baths.

The compass 16300 feet.

REGION XIV. TRANSTIBERINA (AC. df).

23 Streets.

20 Granaries.

6 Mides.

32 Mills.

136 Private baths.

150 Great houses.

The compass 33409 seet.

E D E S.

The Sacred Ædes' of the Romans were buildings erected in honour of some particular deity, but not formally consecrated by the augurs: for if they afterwards received that consecration, they then changed their names to temples d.

We find the following mentioned in this plan.

Ædes Romuli (CD. de. 276), near which stood the famous Ficus Ruminalis, or Fig-tree, under which Romulus and Remus were nursed, and which Tacitus gravely tells us, lasted upwards of eight hundred years f. The Ædes, indeed, originally the cottage of the shepherd Faustulus, in which the twin brothers were brought up, was preserved for many ages by order of the senate, and at last converted into, or rather taken in as part of, a temple sacred to Augustus.

Ædes Spei (D. gh) without the walls of Rome,

Ædes Augusti Tiberii (D. e. 278).

Ædes Virtutis (DE. gh).

The Ædicula of the Romans was only a diminu-

tive, signifying no more than a little Ædes.

Their Sacellum, which may be derived the same way from Ædes Sacra, was, according to Festus, a place sacred to the gods, without a roof.

The Delubrum, according to Servius, was a place which, under one roof, comprehended several deities.

The Templum was the principal place of worship.

These were the general names of the buildings set apart for religious purposes, by the Romans.

d Agell. l. 14. c. 7. Rollin, Vol. I. p. 12.

^{*} Annal. 1. 13. c. 58.

DESCRIPTION OF

AQUEDUCTS.

The aqueducts of the Romans are justly ranked among their noblest and most useful works. Sextus Julius Frontinus, a person of consular dignity, who lived in the reign of Vespasian, and wrote a treatise expressly on this subject, says, they were one of the clearest tokens of the grandeur of the empire g. Dionysius Halicarnassensis h and Strabo i saw them in the same light; and add to them, as farther proofs of the amazing magnificence of the state, the Cloacæ or

common sewers of Rome, and the high-ways.

The first invention of aqueducts is ascribed to the censor Appius Claudius*, who, in the year of Rome 441, brought water into the city by a channel eleven miles long. But this was little in comparison of what was afterwards done by the emperors and others, several of whose conduits were cut through mountains, rocks, and all forts of obstacles, for upwards of forty miles together. As to the Cloacæ, or common-sewers, they were of such an height, that, as Procopius says, a man on horseback might easily ride through them, even in the ordinary course of the channel, the vault and arches of which were, in some places, upwards of an hundred feet high ".....

Procopius " reckons only fourteen aqueducts in ancient Rome: but Victor o has enlarged the number to twenty. The most remarkable of those, of which any traces now remain, are, as marked in the annex-

ed plan,

Aqua Appia, the aqueduct of Appius just mentioned as the oldest of all, which conveyed water from

For farther particulars con- Le See Rollin's Rom. Hist. cerning Frontinus, see Crevier's Rom. Emperors, Vol. Vl. p. 14, 356. and Vol. VII. p. 65.

h Lib. 3. J.ib. 5.

Vol. III. p. 208.

De Bell. Goth. lib. 1. m Sext. Jul. Frontin.

De Bell, Goth. lib. r. Descript, Urb. Region.

Tusculum

Tusculum to the Capitol, and entered Rome near the

Porta Trigemina, now St. Paul's Gate. BC. fg.

Aqua Augusta, called likewise Alsietina, from the lake of that name, about fourteen miles from Rome, near the Claudian Way, from whence it was brought. This water, being unwholsome to drink, was used chiefly for watering gardens and filling the Naumachiæ. It's conduit entered the city at the Porta Esquilina, now the Gate of St. Laurence. GH. de.

Aqua Claudia, reckoned the next in goodness to the Aqua Marcia, which was the best of all. This aqueduct was begun by Caligula, and finished by Claudius, who brought it's waters from two springs, called Cæruleus and Curtius, about thirty-six miles distant from Rome'. Vespasian, Titus, Marcus Aurelius, and Antoninus Pius, repaired and extended it; as did also, in later times, the popes Sixtus V. and Paul V, and it now supplies the fountain called Felice, built by the former of these pontifs near St. John Lateran. It enters the city at the Porta Nævia, now Porta Maggiore, or the Gate of the Holy Cross. This was the highest arched of all the aqueducts. DH. ef.

Aqua Marana: an open stream, which runs from the gate Gabiusa to the Tiber. This, both Donatus and Nardinis take to have been the ancient Agua Crabra and Damnata, which M. Agrippa cut off from all his aqueducts, on account of it's badness. How it has been fince brought to Rome, is not known: but even.

now it is not used for drinking. fg.

Aqua Marcia, likewise called Aufelia, said to have been first brought to Rome by the prætor Q. Marcius, from a spring near the Valerian Way, upwards of thirty miles distant from the city, which it enters near the Esquiline Gate. This was, and still is, reckoned

P Donati, Roma Vetus ac Recens, lib. 3. & Frontin. Roma Antica. 1. 8. c. 4.

Donat. 1. 3. & Nardini, r Frontin.

⁹ Suet. in Claud. c. 20.

Frontin.

the best drinking water in Rome. M. Agrippa repaired this aqueduct, and laid pipes from it to several parts of the city. The Agua Marcia; the Agua Julia, which we shall speak of next; and another water called Tepula, the source of which we know not; entered Rome in one and the same aqueduct, divided into three ranges or stories, in the uppermost of which ran the Agua Tepula, in the second the Agua Julia, and in the lowest the Aqua Marcia; all which were divided and distributed into different parts of the city, after their entrance, within the walls. This accounts for the extraordinary height of this aqueduct, which greatly surpassed that of any other in Rome. From the ruins of this fabric, which still subsist, and are called Il Castel del Acqua Marcia, it plainly appears to have been a most superb structure; of which we have a farther proof in the two famous marble trophies, commonly called Marius's Trophies, which pope Sixtus V. removed, from two niches in this building, to the Capitol. GH. e.

Aqua Julia, brought to Rome from the Campus Lucullus near the Via Latina, twelve miles off, by M. Agrippa, in the year of Rome 721. It enters the city near the Esquiline Gate, and had it's name, according to Frontinus, from one Julius, who first dis-

covered the spring which supplies it. HI. de.

Aqua Virgo, (FI. ab) which enters Rome at the gate Pinciana. This water was brought thither by M. Agrippa, in the 735th year of the city; Caius Sentius and Spurius Lucretius being consuls. It was called the Virgin Water, from it's spring being shewn by a little girl, to some soldiers who were at work near the Prænestine road, about eight miles from Rome, where now is the source which supplies that vast and magnificent sountain called la Fontana di Trevi, built

[&]quot; Elegantly drawn by Pira
"Frontin. & Nardini, l. 8.

"Nardini, l. 8. c. 4.

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by that excellent architect Nicola Salvi, and finely represented by Piranesi in his views of Rome; where he also takes notice of the

Meta Sudans, now only a rough unshaped stone, but said to have been formerly a fountain near the Colifeum (where it is marked in this plan), for the use of the wrestlers and others, who frequented that am-

phitheatre. DE. de.

Numbers of other ancient aqueducts are now either so far lost, or blended with these, that antiquarians have taken great pains, to little purpose, in order to trace their remains. But as such disquisitions, could they be of any service, would carry us far beyond the intended limits of this short account; we shall conclude this article with observing, that the Fontana di Trevi, just now mentioned; the Fontana Felice, built by pope Sixtus V; and the Fontana Paulina, the work of Paul III, supply the present Rome abundantly with water; and that the aqueducts of the ancients were under the care and direction first of the censors and ediles, and afterwards of particular magistrates, called Curatores Aquarum, instituted by the great Agrippa, who made the perfecting of the aqueducts of Rome a principal object of his attention. The illustrious Messala was one of these Curatores in the reign of Augustus 2; and Frontinus held the same office in that of Nerva a.

ARCHES (TRIUMPHAL).

The triumphal arches of the Romans were public buildings, designed for the reward and encouragement of noble enterprizes, and erected generally to the honour of such eminent persons as had either gained a victory of extraordinary consequence abroad, or rescued the commonwealth from any considerable

y See Rollin's Rom. Hist. Vol. XV. p. 363.

Z Crevier, Rom. Emp. Vol. I. p. 219. Ad. Vol. VII. p. 65. danger

danger at home. At first, they were plain and rude structures, by no means remarkable for beauty or state: but in latter times, no expences were thought too great, to render them in the highest manner splendid and magnificent; nothing being more usual than to have the greatest actions of the heroes, for whom they were erected, curiously carved, or even the whole procession of the triumph cut out, on the sides of these arches. Those built by Romulus were only of brick; and that of Camillus (part of which is said still to subsist) of plain square stone: but those of Cæsar, Drusus, Titus, Trajan, Gordian, &c. were entirely of marble b.

Their form was, at first, semi-circular, from whence they probably took their name. Afterwards, they were built square, with a spacious arched gate in the middle, and smaller ones on each side. Upon the vaulted part of the middle gate, hung little winged images, representing victory, with crowns in their hands, which, when they were let down, they put upon the conqueror's head as he passed under in

triumph %

Antiquarians reckon thirty-six of these arches in ancient Rome. Those that are noticed in this plan, and of which some parts yet remain tolerably perfect, are

the following:

Arcus Boarius, likewise called Arcus Aurificum, (CD. de. 243), built by the merchants and bankers of Rome, near the Forum Boarium, in honour of the emperors M. Aurelius and L. Septimius Severus, as an inscription on it, still extant, testifies.

Camillus's Arch (CD. cd. 150), supposed by some to be one of Domitian's; and by others, with greater probability, to have been erected in honour of Drusus, son-in-law of Augustus, for his victories over the Germans. It is now called l'Alreo di

Fabricii, Roma. c. 14. D. Id. c. 15.

Portugallo a, from the cardinal of Portugal, who once lived there.

Constantine's Arch (DE. e. 280), near the Colifeum; erected to Constantine, by the senate and Ro-

man people, for his victory over Maxentius.

Gallienus's Arch (D. de. 264), now called the arch of St. Vitus, near whose church it stands, was built, as the inscription denotes d, by M. Aurelius, a private man, in honour of the emperor Gallienus.

We find also another arch of Gallienus in this plan, between the letters F and G, and over against e.

Gordian's Arch (HI. de), by whom built, or upon what occasion, we know not; no mention being made of it, that we can find, in any of the writers who have described ancient Rome.

Severus's Arch (C. cd. 195), a magnificent fabric, erected by the senate and Roman people, as the inscription on it testifies, in honour of the emperor L. Septimius Severus. It is now considerably sunk in the earth. We have a fine drawing of this arch in Piranesi's Views of Rome.

Titus's Arch (DE. de. 281), erected, some think, by the senate and Roman people to Titus and his father Vespasian, as a triumphal arch for their victories; but more probably dedicated to the memory of Titus, after his death, as Donatus conjectures from

the inscription still extant on this arch.

We do not here meet with one of that prodigious number of triumphal arches which Domitian crected to himself, as M. Crevier informs us b.

² Nardini, & Donat. 1. 3.

s See Crevier, Vol. IX. p. 107.

SeeCrevier, Vol. VIII.p.115.

Donat. 1. 2.

* Lib. 3. p. 202 and 208. * Vol. VI. p. 311, and 340.

Described by M. Crevier, in the Xth vol. of his history of the Roman Emperors, p. 67.

d Donat. I. 3. & Nardini, I. 4. c. 3.

BASILICÆ.

The Bafilicæ of the Romans were very spacious and beautiful buildings, intended chiefly for the Centumviri, or judges, to sit in and hear causes, and for the counfellors to receive clients. The bankers too had one part of them allotted for their business. Vossius has observed k, that these Basilicæ were exactly in the shape of our churches; which was the reason that, upon the ruin of many of them, Christian churches were often raised on the old foundations: and hence too, perhaps, our great churches or cathedrals are still called Basilicæ.

Those noticed in this plan, are,

The Basilic and Portico of Caius and Lucius Cæsars (GH. ef), built by Augustus in honour of his nephews: and Constantine's Basilica (F. fg).

BATHS (THERMÆ).

There cannot well be a greater instance of the magnificence, or rather luxury, of the Romans, than their Baths. Ammianus Marcellinus says ', they were built in modum Provinciarum, as large as provinces: to soften which exaggerated expression the learned Valesius " thinks we ought to read Piscinarum, instead of Provinciarum. Though this emendation may, perhaps, in some measure extenuate part of the vanity with which the Romans have been so often charged, in consequence of this passage of the historian; yet the prodigious accounts we have of the ornaments and furniture of their baths, will bring them under a centure not less unfavourable than the former. Seneca, speaking of the luxury of his coun-

Rosin. Antiq. I. 9. c 7.

k In voce Bafilica.

¹ Lib. 16.

ⁱⁿ Nota ad locum.

trymen in this respect, complains, that they were arrived to such a pitch of niceness and delicacy, as to scorn to set their feet on any thing but precious stones "; and Pliny wishes, good old Fabricius were but alive to see the degeneracy of his posterity, when the very women must have their seats in the baths, of solid silver.

The most remarkable of these Baths, of which there still remain parts which shew the vast height of their arches, the beauty of their pillars, the extraordinary quantity of foreign marble employed in making them, the curious vaulting of their roofs, and the number, ornaments, and conveniencies of their spacious apartments, are those of

Antoninus Caracalla (D. fg) P.

Dioclesian (GH. cd): amazingly vast and magnificent 4.

Titus Vespasian (EF. e).

Others, likewise noticed in this plan, but less spacious, are those of

Adrian (BC. ab. 18).

Agrippa (CD. cd. 146), so named from the great man who built them for the common use of all the inhabitants of Rome'. The emperor Adrian rebuilt them. But being informed of the many abuses to which the promiscuous admittance of men and women gavë rise, he forbad both sexes going to the same baths: and Marcus Aurelius ordered that none of the public baths should be opened before two o'clock in the afternoon", except for fick people. The old practice being renewed under the infamous reign of Helioga-

* Epist. 86.

° Lib. 33. c. 12.

P For the description of these baths, see Crevier's Rom. Emp. Vol. VIII. p. 209.

4 For a description of them, see Crevier's Rom. Emp., Vol.

IX. p. 299.

* Crevier's Rom, Emperors, Vol. I. p. 55.

· Id. Vol. VII. p. 154.

¹ Id. ibid. p. 160.

" Ibid. p. 275.

balus, Alexander Severus again put a stop to it ": and the emperor Tacitus ordered all public baths to be shut by sun-set ...

Constantine (E. cd).

Decius (CD. ef). And CD. f. And again F. de. Gordian (FG. e).

Nero, rebuilt by Adrian (CD. bc. 94).

Philip (G. ef).

Septimius Severus (B. de) together with his Septizonium (DE. ef), which was also a bath, supported by seven rows of pillars.

Trajan (EF. de).

BRIDGES.

There were formerly eight bridges over the Tiber, the names of which, as enumerated by Martianus, were, 1. Sublicius. 2. Palatinus or Senatorius. 3. Fabricius. 4. Cestius. 5. Janiculensis. 6. Triumphalis. 7. Ælius; and 8. Milvius. Of these, only five now remain, viz. Palatinus, Fabricius, Cestius, Janicu-

lensis, and Ælius.

The bridge Sublicius (BC. e), the first bridge that was built at Rome, was made by Ancus Martius, intirely of oak; whence Ovid calls it roboreus. It was here that the brave Horatius Cocles kept at bay the whole army of the Tuscans commanded by Porsena z: and from hence also the dead body of Heliogabalus was thrown into the Tiber a. It crossed the Tiber from the foot of mount Aventine, to the spot here called prata Mutia, and led towards Hetruria. A sudden inundation broke down this bridge, in lieu of which the prætor Emilius Lepidus built one

* Id. Vol. IX. p. 199.

Vol. V. p. 122.

² Rollin's Rom. Hist. Vol. I. p. 228.

W Crevier's Roman Emperors, Vol. VIII. p. 289.

Y See Crevier, Vol., VIII. p. 134. and Montfaucon's Antiq. VIII. p. 271.

^a Crevier's Rom. Emp. Vol.

of stone: this also being destroyed by the rising of the water, the emperor Tiberius built another of stone; and this perishing by the same means, the emperor Antoninus Pius built a new one, of marble, and more losty than the former. But this has also been demolished by the overslowing of the Tiber, and only some sew remains of it are now to be perceived, near the banks and under the water.

The bridge Palatinus, as it was formerly called, now St. Mary's Bridge (C. de), crosses over from the present church of St. Mary the Egyptian, at the lower end of the Forum Boarium, to the via Transtiberina. This bridge is supposed to be that which Livy speaks of a, built by M. Fulvius, washed down by the Tiber, and afterwards rebuilt by the censors Scipio Africanus and L. Mummius. Another inundation having damaged it, pope Gregory XIII. repaired it, partly upon the old piles, in the year 1575. But another inundation sweeping away some of it in 1598, it has never since been repaired, so as to be serviceable.

A little higher up the river, two very ancient bridges of stone connect the island in the Tiber, formerly sacred to Esculapuis, to whom a temple was built there ', and now called St. Bartholomew's island, with the city on each side of it. One of these, distinguished by the name of Fabricius, (C. d), was built by the consul Fabricius when Curator Viarum, in the year of Rome 692, as an inscription still remaining upon one of the piers, testisses, and as Dion says, 1.37. Another inscription on it witnesses it's having been repaired by the consuls Q. Lepidus and M. Lollius, which must have been in the year of Rome 731. It is now called Quattro capi, from a square piece of marble that stands at one end of it d.

² Decad. 4. 1. 10.

Donat. l. 3.

See Rollin's Roman Hi-

flory, Vol. III. p. 307.

Donat. 1, 3. & Nardini.

The bridge from the other side of the island to the Regio Transtiberina (C. d), was built by Cæstius, under the emperors Valentinian, Valens, and Gratian, as two inscriptions on it certify. It is still known by it's ancient name of Cestius's bridge, as well as by it's more modern one, of St. Bartholomew's.

The bridge Janiculensis (BC. cd), thought by Marlianus, and others, to have been built of marble by the emperor Antoninus (in which Nardini differs from them), was also called anciently *Pons Aurelius*. It now bears the name of *Sixtus*, from pope Sxtus IV, who

rebuilt it with great magnificence g.

Some few ruins yet remain of the Vatican Bridge (BC. b), formerly called the Triumphal; not, says Donatus, on account of the Triumphal Gate, which he will not allow to have stood there: at the same time declaring, that it is much easier to say where that gate did not stand, than to point out where it did h.

The bridge Ælius (C. b) was built by the emperor Ælius Adrian, and led to his tomb, now called the castle of St. Angelo, which last name has been also given to the bridge. Nardini gives us a representation of this bridge, as it was in ancient times, from the reverse of a medal of the emperor Adrian.

The bridge Milvius, now called Ponte Mole, two miles beyond the Porta Flaminia, or present gate del Popo-lo, and consequently beyond the limits of this plan, was built by Emilius Scaurus, from whose name the word Milvius has been formed by corruption . It was repaired by pope Nicholas V, but only the soundations of it now remain.

Donatus, quoting Suetonius, speaks of a ninth bridge in Rome, built by Caligula, from the Palatine hill to the Capitol: and we find in Piranesi's

1 Lib. 2. p. 158.

Donat. l. 8. c. 3.

Donat. l. 3. p. -309. who quotes Eccl. Hill: l. 2. c. 12.

A Roma vetus ac recens, 1.1.

p. 78. & l. 3. p. 309.
Roma Antica, l. 8. c. 3.
Nardini, l. 8. c. 3.

Views of Rome, a drawing of a fluted pillar, said to be one of those which supported this bridge.

CAMPI.

The ancient Romans distinguished several spaces of ground, or sields, by this name; but the most famous by far, originally a large open sield, lying near the Tiber, whence we find it sometimes called Tiberinus, was the

Campus Martius (CE. ac. 46), so called, because

it was consecrated to the god Mars.

Besides it's pleasant situation, and other natural ornaments, the continual exercises and sports performed here, and the frequent assemblies of the people in ancient times, made this, particularly then, one of the most remarkable places near the city; for here, as Kennet observes, the young nobility practised all manner of feats of activity, and learned the use of all forts of arms and weapons. In later days it was encompassed with a wall, and nobly adorned with statues of famous men, arches, columns, porticos, and other magnificent structures. Here stood the Villa publica, or palace for the reception and entertainment of ambassadors from foreign states, who were not allowed to enter the city. Several of the public Comitia were held in this field; and for that purpose the Septa (DE. bc. 54), or Ovilia as some called them, a space where the Tribes or Centuries went in one by one to vote, were inclosed with rails. Cicero, in one of his epistles to Atticus, intimates a noble design he had to make the Septa of marble, and to cover them with a high roof, with the addition of a stately Portico or Piazza all round: but as we hear no more of this project, we may reasonably suppose that he was disappointed by the civil wars which broke out soon after.".

DESCRIPTION OF

We likewise find, in the annexed plan, the

Campus Esquilinus (H. cd), bordering upon the Esquiline hill, from whence it derived it's name.

Campus Judeorum, or Jews Field (B. de), which we

take to be a modem appellation.

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Campus Santtus (F. f), likewise a modern name.

Campus Sceleratus (GH. bc. 296), or the wicked Field; so called, according to Donatus, because fuch of the vestals as broke their vow of chastity, were buried there alive: and accordingly we find marked in the same place, in this plan, the spot where they were so buried. But this, according to the abovementioned author, must be a mistake; a positive law of the Romans enacting, that no dead body whatever should be buried or burnt within the walls of the city: much less is it probable, as he observes, that the state should suffer capital convicts to be buried there alive. The place destined for that dreadful execution seems rather to have been somewhat farther, to the right, without the walls; which would agree with Livy P, who, speaking of the vestal Minucia, on whom this punishment was inflicted, says, she was buried alive in a field beyond the gate Collina, here called Salaria, $(H. bc)^{9}$.

The Field of Tarquin the Proud, or Campus Tarquinii

Superbi (H. d).

CIRCI.

The Circi of the Romans were places set apart for several sorts of games, but particularly races. They were generally oblong, surrounded with a wall, and ranges of seats for the convenience of the spectators. At the entrance of the Circus stood the

Carceres,

n Lib. 3. p. 275-

Loco supr. citat.

P. Decad. 1. 1. 8.

M. Rollin mentions her be- Polydor. Vining put to this death, in his vent. I. 2. c. 14.

Rom. Hist. Vol. III. p. 132.

r Marlian. Topogr. Rom.

Ant. l. 4. c. 10.

Polydor. Virg. de Rer. invent. I. 2. c. 14.

Carceres, or Lists, from whence the racers started; and just by them one of the Metæ, or goals. The other Metæ stood at the farther end, to conclude the race.

There were several of these Circi in Rome: but the principal one, as it's name imports, was the Circus Maximus (CD. ef), first built by the elder Tarquin'. The length of it was 2205 feet, and it's breadth 950: and round it were as many seats, in rows one above the other, as would contain an hundred and fifty thousand people ". Julius Cæsar adorned it with magnificent buildings, and fine canals of water, to represent sea-fights in them. Augustus enlarged it, and erected in it an obelife an hundred and fifty. feet high. The emperor Claudius built dens, or Carceres, as they are called in this plan (CD. de. 300), of marble, instead of those which had till then been made only of earth, or wood, for the wild beafts used in this Circus. Caracalla caused divers parts of it to be painted and gilded; and Heliogabalus ordered it's floor to be strewed with gold and silver dust. These emperors enlarged this Circus to so vast an extent, that they rendered it capable of holding two hundred and fixty thousand spectators, in their proper places w.

The other Circi noticed in this plan, are,

Nero's Circus (AB. ab. 2), in the Vatican valley, within the gardens of that emperor, as Tacitus informs us *. The magnificent church of St. Peter now stands on that very spot *. The Meta, or goal of this Circus stood, according to Nardini *, precisely where the fine obelise erected by pope Sixtus V. now is.

Liv. & Dionys. Halycarn. & Rollin, Rom. Hist. Vol. 1. p. 137.

Dionys. 1. 3.

W Plin. 1. 36.

^{*} Annal. 14.

y Nardini, 1.7. c. 13.

² Ibid.

DESCRIPTION OF

Circus Agonalis (CD. bc), now the Piazza Navona, finely drawn by Piranesi. Antiquarians are far from being agreed why this Circus was called Agonalis. That the Romans had an immoveable feast, instituted by their king Numa, which was celebrated every year on the 9th of January, in honour of the god Janus, as we learn from Ovid, is very certain. The Rex sacrorum at this feast sacrificed a wether to the god Janus. In consequence of this, Varro b derives the word Agonalis from a ceremony used in all sacrifices, where the priest, being ready to offer the facrifice, asks the facrificer, Agon', which was used then for Agamne, Shall I strike? Festus derives this word either from Agonia, which signifies a sacrifice, or from Agonius, the god of action, or from Agones, which signify mountains, and so the Agonalia were sacrifices which were offered upon a mountain. Indeed the Quirinal hill was called Agonus; and the gate Collina, which led thither, Porta Agonensis; which the same Festus will have to have been so called from the games which were celebrated without that gate in. honour of Apollo, near the temple of Venus Erycina, when the Circus Flaminius was overflowed by the Tiber, as we shall have occasion to observe in speaking of the gate Salaria.—But it is more probable that the word Agonalia came from the Greek αγων, which signifies sports and combats, such as were used in Greece, in imitation of those first instituted by Hercules at Elis, and confecrated to Jupiter, as Ovid informs us c.

The Stadia were places in the form of Circi, for the running of men and horses. A very noble one, Suctonius tells us e, was built by Domitian: but as it is not noticed in this plan, we presume there are no remains of it now subsisting.

^{*} Fast. 1. 1. v. 317.

b Lib. ς.

[•] Fast. 1. 1. v. 359a

⁴ Fabric. Rom. c. 12.

In Domitiano.

COLUMNS AND OBELISCS.

The pillars of the emperors Trajan and Antoninus

deserve particular notice.

Trajan's Column (DE. cd. 172), composed of twenty-four great pieces of marble, so nicely cemented as to seem to make but one stone, was erected in the middle of that emperor's Forum. It's height, according to Eutropius², was 144 feet; though Marlian^h seems to make them but 128. This difference may be reconciled, by supposing one of these writers to have given only the measure of the pillar itself, and the other to have included the basis. It is ascended on the infide by 185 winding steps, and has 40 little windows for the admission of light. The whole pillar is incrusted with marble; on which are represented all Trajan's noble actions, and particularly the Dacian war. One may see all over it figures of forts, bulwarks, bridges, ships, &c. and all manner of arms, as shields, helmets, targets, swords, &c. together with the several offices and employments of the soldiers; some digging trenches, some measuring out a place for the tents, and others making a triumphal procession. But the noblest ornament of this pillar was the statue of Trajan on the top, twenty two feet high, dressed in his military robe, and holding in his left hand a scepter, and in his right a hollow globe of gold, in which his ashes were reposited after his death *.

Antoninus's Column (DE. bc.71), was erected by the emperor Marcus Aurelius and the senate in honour of his predecessor, Titus Antoninus, and in imitation of that of Trajan, which it exceeded only in this re-

See Crevier, Vol. VII.

p. 47. and 98.

p. 98.

Flist. 1. 8.

h Lib. 3. c. 13.

B. 4.

Vide Crevier, Vol. VII.

p. 98.

Fabricius, c. 7.

Casalius, Par. 1. c. 11.

spect.

spect, that it was 176 feet high! The ascent, on the inside, was by 106 steps, and the windows in the sides were 56. The sculpture and other ornaments were of the same nature as those on Trajan's column; but greatly inferior in point of workmanship; being done in the declining age of the empire. On the top of this pillar stood a colossal statue of the emperor Antoninus, naked, as appears from some of his coins.

Both these columns are still standing at Rome; the former most intire. But pope Sixtus the sirst, instead of the two statues of the emperors, set up St. Peter's on the column of Trajan, and St. Paul's on that of Antoninus^m.

The famous Columna miliaria (D. de. 283), called also Miliarium aureum, was a gilded pillar, erected in the Forum by Augustus, as the point from whence all the high-ways of Italy were to be measured. From this the Romans counted their miles, at the end of every one of which a stone was set up, marked with the distance from Rome.

Two Antique Columns, the particulars of which we know not, stand at D. c. 69, and between DE and

cd. 152.

Between AB and ab, at fig. 4. is a fine Egyptian Obelisc, erected by pope Sixtus V. in the front of St. Peter's. At Db. 51. and Dc. 88. are two other Obeliscs; and between GH and bc stands an Obelisc sormerly dedicated to the moon. Some of these, but we cannot pretend to say which, were probably those M. Crevier mentions P being brought to Rome, from Egypt, by Caligula, at a vast expence.

Marlian, I. 6. c. 13.

m Cafal. Par. r. c. 11.

^{*} See Crevier, Vol. I. p. 104.

^o Marlian. 1, 3. c. 18.

P Vol. III, p. 74.

THE DOMI,

Or Houses, remarkable either for their size, or former inhabitants, mentioned in this plan, are those of

Pompeius Atticus (EF. cd. 292), on the Quirinal hill.

The Cornelii (E. cd. 290), near Constantine's baths.

The Gordians (H. e).

Licinius (GH. e.)

Martial (G. bc).

Pilate (C. de. 239).

The Pincii (EF. bc. 239).

Pompey the Great (GH. e).

Titus (FG. ef).

FORA.

The Roman Fora were commonly about three times as long as they were broad. The whole compass of the Forum was surrounded with arched porticos, only some passages being left for places of entrance. Their situation was, generally, so contrived, that some of the most stately edifices, such as temples, theatres, basilicæ, &c. stood round, or near them 4.

They were of two forts; Fora Civilia and Fora Venalia. The former were designed for the ornaments of the city, and for the use of public courts of justice: the others, like our markets, were intended for the convenience of the people.

Of the Fora Civilia there were five considerable in Rome, viz.

⁴ Lipsius, de Magnit. Rom.

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Augustus's Forum (DE. d. 169), built by Augustus Cæsar, and reckoned by Pliny among the wonders of the city. The most remarkable curiosity was the statues in the two portices on each side of the main building. In one, were all the Latin kings, beginning with Æneas; in the other, all the kings of Rome, beginning with Romulus; most of the eminent persons in the commonwealth, and Augustus himself among the rest; with an inscription upon the pedestal of every statue, expressing the chief action and exploits of the person it represented. This Forum was restored by the emperor Adrian.

Cæsar's, or the Julian Forum (DE. de. 285); built by Julius Cæsar, with the spoils taken in the Gallic war. It's area alone, Suetonius tells us", cost an hundred thousand sesterces; and Dio affirms it to have much

exceeded the Roman Forum.

Nerva's Forum (DE. d. 164), begun by Domitian, but finished and named by the emperor Nerva. In this Forum Alexander Severus set up the statues of all the emperors that had been deisied, in imitation of what Augusts had done in his Forum. This Forum was called Transitorium, because it lay very convenient for a passage to the others; and Palladium, from a statue of Minerva which was set up in it. Scarce any thing remains of this Forum, except an old decayed arch, which the people, by a strange corruption, instead of Nerva's arch, call Noah's ark.

The Roman Forum (DE. de), which was only a large open space in Romulus's time, without buildings or any other ornament. Tullus Hostilius first inclosed it; the elder Tarquin adorned it with porticos;

Lipf. de Magn. Rom.

× Lib. 43.

See Crevier, Vol. I. p. 84.

Spartian. in Hadriano.

u In Jul. Cass. c. 26.

y Suct in Domit. c. 5.

² Spartian. in Severo.

a Nardini, Roma Antica, I. 3.

c. 14. & Donat. l. 2. c. 23. b Lipf. de Magn. Rom.

^c Marlian. 1. 3. c. 14.

and succeeding kings, consuls, and magistrates, rendered it at length one of the noblest places in the world. It was called Forum Romanum, or simply Forum, by way of eminence, on account of it's antiquity, in comparison of the other Fora, and of it's most general use in public affairs. Martial and Statius, for the same reason, give it the name of Forum Latium; Ovid the same ; and of Forum Magnum g; and Herodian calls it την αρχαΐαν αγορών, The Old Forum. Statius i has given an accurate description of this Forum, in his poem upon the equestrian statue of Domitian set up there by that emperor: but at the same time antiquarians are so divided about it's exact extent, that it would be extremely difficult, if not impossible, now to ascertain that point. It's situation, we know, was between the Capitoline hill and the Palatine, as marked in this plan.

The Comitium, used sometimes for holding the Comitia, was a part of this Forum, in which stood the Rostra, a sort of pulpit, adorned with the beaks of ships taken in a sea-fight from the inhabitans of Antium k. In this, the causes were pleaded, the orations made, and the panegyrics spoken by persons at the death of their friends or relations.—Hard by was the Puteal, of which critics give very different accounts, but none more probable than the opinion of the ingenious M. Dacier, according to whom, the Romans, whenever the thunder fell upon a place without a roof, took care, out of superstition, to have a sort of cover built over it, which they called Puteal. This had the name of Puteal Libonus, and Scribonium Puteal, because Scribonius Libo erected it by order of the senate. The prætor's tribunal, which stood

d Epigr. I. 2.

e Sylvar. l. 1. c. L.

Fast. 4.

K Fast. 3.

[!] In vit. M. Antonin.

i Sylvar. l. 1. c. 1.

k Livy, & Fabricii Roma, c.

Notes on Horace, l. 2. Sat.

^{6.} v. 35.

just by, is often denoted by the same expression.

Trajan's Forum (DE. d. 170), built by the emperor Trajan, with the produce of the spoils he had taken in his wars. The porticos round this Forum were exceedingly beautiful and magnificent, covered with brass, and supported by pillars of more than or-

dinary size, and exquisite workmansh ip.

Of the chief Fora Venalia, or markets, in ancient Rome, which were, 1. The Forum Boarium, for oxen and beef; 2. Suarium, for swine; 3. Pistorum, for bread; 4. Cupedinarum, for dainties; and 5. Olitorium, for roots, sallads, and such like; we have in this plan,

The Forum Boarium, between the letters CD and

de; and the

Forum Olitorium, between CD and cd, marked. 182.

Besides which we find five other Fora, viz. Forum Esquilinum (GH. de), upon mount Esquiline.

Forum Nummulariorum, between BC and bc, marked

24, near the

Forum Pontis, under the letter C, and overagainst b, at the foot of the bridge Elius, now St. Angelo.

Forum Populi (DE. a), and the

Forum Sallustii, between the letters CD and de, denoted by the cyphers 295, and so called, probably, from the name of the person who built it.

GARDENS.

Of the many spacious gardens formerly in Rome we find only the following noticed in this plan.

The Cæsarean gardens (B. de).

Those of Mecænas, (H. d); and

Those of Sallust (FG. bc).

m See Crevier, Vol. VII. p. 47. and 99. Marlian. 1. 3. c. 13.

GATES.

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Romulus built only three, or, as some will have it, at most four gates: but as the city was enlarged, the gates were multiplied, so that Pliny tells us, there were thirty-four in his time. There are now, as marked in the annexed plan, which agrees with the number reckoned by Procopius n in his time, four-teen, which we shall range in the following alphabetical order.

Afinaria, called also formerly Calimontana, and St. John's Gate (FG. fg). Antiquarians differ greatly, and by no means determine whence came it's name of Asinaria. Donatus thinks it may have been so called from a road of that name, to which it led; or from gardens, called the Asinarian, situated near this gate; or perhaps from Asinius Pollio, or Asinius Gallus, consuls under Augustus, who may have built or repaired it. Nardini leaves us equally in the dark. The name of Calimontana, by which the ancients called it, was derived from it's situation upon Mount Calius. But it's oldest name of all was Querquetulana? Cicero mentions it by that name s. It is now called St. John's Gate, because it leads to St. John Lateran.

Aureliana (AB. cd), so called from the emperor Aurelian, who either rebuilt or repaired it. It is now named St. Pancras's Gate, from it's leading to the church of that saint. Some have called it Trajana, on account of it's having been repaired, say they, by the emperor Trajan: but it's first and oldest appellation was Janiculensis; derived, probably, from the bridge of that name, which led to this gate.

n De Bello Goth. l. 1.

⁴ Ad Pison.

o Roma vetus ac recens, l. 1.

Donat. & Nardini.

P Donat. I. 1.

Capena (DE. gb): so called from Capua, an old city of Italy, the way to which lay thro' this gate. It was also called Appiana, from it's leading to the Appian Way; and Triumphalis, from some triumphs in which the procession passed through it: though it does not seem to have been the gate appropriated to that ceremony, the real situation of which antiquarians are at a loss to determine. The curious in these matters may consult Donatus, 1. 1. c. 22. De Portu Triumphali. The gate Capena was likewise called Fontinalis, from the aqueducts which were raised over it: whence Juvenal terms it madida Capena, and Martial, Capena grandi Porta que pluit gutta. It is now called St. Sebastian's Gate, from a church dedicated to that saint, which stands near it.

Esquilina (H. e), now the Gate of St. Laurence, to whose magnificent church it leads. Antiquarians are not agreed, whether it was originally called Esquilina, from it's being built on mount Esquiline; or Taurina, from a head of an ex carved upon it; or Tiburtina, from it's leading to Tibur, now Tivoli. It seems also to have been anciently called Libitinensis, on account of the dead bodies that used to be carried through it, in order to their being interred in the Campus Esquilinus, which was the general burying-place of the common people. Livy, Dionysius, and Strabo, call it Esquilina; and the former of these authors (lib. 2.) fixes it's situation, by saying, that it was directly overagainst the gate Janiculensis; here called Aureliana.

Flaminia (DE. a), owing it's name to the Flaminian Way, which begins there. Donatus fays it was still more anciently called Flumentana, from it's proximity to the river Tiber. It is now called the Gate del popolo, from a church built near it by pope Pascal II, dedicated to the virgin Mary, under the appellation of Santia Maria del Popolo.

5 Roma, 1. 1. p. 66.

Gabiusa (EF. fg), so named formerly, according to Fulvius and Marlianus, from it's leading to a road called Gabina. St. Gregory calls it Metroni, which name it still retains; but why we cannot say. It is now walled up. This Gate, which is mentioned in Livy, was in the XIIIth ward, or region, of ancient Rome ".

Latina, or in via Latina (EF. gb), so called from it's leading to Latium, now the Campagna di Roma. It was also called Ferentina, from Ferentinum, a place upon the Latin way. A chapel now stands near it, dedicated to St. John the Apostle, from whom the gate

also is at present called.

Nævia (GH. f), now distinguished by the name of major, or the great Gate, and also by that of Santti Crucis, or the gate of the Holy Cross, had it's appellation of Nævia, says Varro, à nemoribus, from the woods which formerly stood near it; or from an adjacent wood belonging to one Nævius. The Claudian aqueduct runs close by it. This gate was also called, formerly, Prænestina and Labicana; the roads to both these places lying through it.

Nomentana, now St. Agnes (H. c). The name Nomentana, or Numentana, was given this gate, because it led to Numentum. It was likewise called Vininalis, on account of the osiers that grew near it, or from it's situation upon the descent of mount Vininalis. It has also been called Pia, because pope Pius IV. repaired it; and it's present name of St. Agnes is taken from the church of that saint, which stands at

some distance from it, without the walls.

Pinciana (FG. b), formerly called Collatina, because it led to the town of that name in the country of the Sabines, not far from Rome.

^t Lib. 9. ep. 38.

Donat. I. 1.

* Strabo.

y Donat. 1. 1. p. 68.

² Procop. de Bell. Goth. l. 1.

Portuensis (AB. ef), so called, as well as the road it opens into, from their leading to the city formerly named Portuensis; now by corruption called Villa Portese. This gate, and the wall around it, were rebuilt by the emperors Honorius and Arcadius. It was also called Navalis, from its being near the river.

Salaria (H. bc), deriving it's name, as did also the road it leads to, from the salt which the Sabines used to bring into Rome that way from the sea. It was likewise called Collina, from it's standing just at the junction of the hills Quirinalis and Viminalis; and Quirinalis, from a chapel sacred to Romulus (Quirinus), which stood hard by; and Agonensis, on account of the games called Agonalia, which were celebrated just without it, in honour of Apollo, as Festus says, (but of the god Janus, according to Ovid b,) near the temple of Venus Erycina; particularly when the Tiber rose so high as to overflow the Circus Flaminius.. It was through this gate that the Gauls entered Rome, under the command of their leader Brennus, when that city was first taken by them.

Septimiana (B. cd), from the emperor Septimius Serus , who built it, and whose baths were just without this gate. Pope Alexander VI. repaired it .

Trigemina (BC. fg), anciently so named from the three Horatii, who went out at this gate to fight the three Curiatii. It has also been called Appia, from the Appian aqueduct which runs near it; Fontinalis, from a number of springs or fountains that are there; and Ostiensis, on account of the road to Ostium, which begun there. It is now called the gate of St. Paul, from a noble church dedicated to that apostle, to which it leads, without the walls, and of which

a Nardini.

b Fast. l. 1. v. 317.

e Procop. de Bell. Goth. 1. 1.

d Donat. I. I. p. 70.

[·] Nardini.

Piranesi has given us a most elegant drawing in his

Views of Rome.

These were the principal gates of ancient Rome: besides which antiquarians mention several others; such as the gate Carmentalis, built by Romulus, and so called from Carmenta the prophetes, mother of Evander; the gates Sangualis, Mutia, Catularia, Frumentaria, Stercoraria, &c. but where they were situated, we know not; nor are any remains of them now to be seen.

In the wall which furrounds the space now occupied by St. Peter's church and the pope's palace (AC. ab), are the five following lesser gates, as marked in this plan, viz. the gate of the Holy Ghost, the gate Posterula, the gate Fornacum, the Vatican gate, and St. Peter's gate.

HILLS.

The seven principal hills inclosed within the walls of ancient Rome, from whence the phrase of Urbs septicollis, and the like, so frequent with the poets, were Mons Palatinus, Mons Capitolinus, Mons Quirinalis, Mons Cælius, Mons Esquilinus, Mons Viminalis, and Mons Aventinus.

I. Mons Palatinus.—Whether the Palatine hill (D. e) received its name from a people called Palantes or Palatini; or from the bleating and strolling of cattle, in Latin balare and palare; or from Pales, the pastoral goddess; or from the burying-place of Pallas, is disputed by the learned, and undetermined. Here Romulus laid the foundation of his city, in a quadrangular form, with the ceremonies described at length by M. Rollin, in his history of the Roman republic, Vol. 1. p. 17. & seq. and here the same king

² For the origin of this name, see Rollin's Rom. Hist. Vol. I. p. 5.

and Tullus Hostilius kept their courts; as did afterwards Augustus and all the succeeding emperors; on which account, the word Palatium came to signify a royal seat. To the east of this hill is Mons Calius; to the south, Mons Aventinus; to the west, Mons Capitolinus; and to the north, the Forum. It's compass is twelve hundred paces. Romulus's house, preserved for several ages by the care of the senate, was on this hill, near the spot where the church of St. Anastasia now stands; as was also that of his foster-father Faustulus, near the place now occupied by the church of Santia Maria Liberatrice.

II. Mons Capitolinus, the Capitoline hill (CD. d), before named Mons Tarpeius, from Tarpeia, a Roman vestal, who betrayed the city to the Sabines in this place c. It was also called Mons Saturni, and Saturnius, in honour of Saturn, who is reported to have lived here in his retirement, and was ever reputed the tutelar deity of this part of the city. The name of Capitolinus was afterwards given it from the head of a man called Tolus, casually found there in digging for the foundations of the famous temple of Jupiter', named, for the same reason, Capitolium. This hill was added to the city by Titus Tatius, king of the Sabines, when, having been first overcome in the field by Romulus, he and his subjects were permitted to incorporate with the Romans g. It has to the east, Mons Palatinus and the Forum; to the fouth, the Tiber; to the west, the level part of the city; and to the north, Collis Quirinalis. It's compais was seven stadia, or furlongs. This hill was the most considerable of any in Rome, on account, particularly, of the buildings that stood upon it, which

c Fabricii Roma, c. 3.

Vol. I. p. 46.

f. Liv. l. 1. c. 55.

b Rosin. Antiq. 1. r. c. 4.

d Marlian. Topograph. An-

e Plut. in Romul. See also Rollin's Hist. of the Republ.

E Dionysius.

h Fabricii Roma, c. 3.

¹ Marlian, lib. 1. c. 1.

were a fortress and sixty temples, the most considerable of which, called the *Capitol*, we shall take further notice of when we come to speak of the build-

ings and temples of Rome.

III. Mons Quirinalis, the Quirinal hill, (F. cd), so called, either from the temple of Quirinus, another name of Romulus; or, more probably, from the Curetes, a people that removed thither with Tatius, from Cures, a Sabine city . It afterwards changed it's name to Caballus, Mons Caballi, and Caballinus, from the two marble horses, with each a man holding him, which are set up there. They are still standing; and, if the inscription on the pilasters be true, were the work of Phideas and Praxiteles; made by those famous masters to represent Alexander the Great, and his Bucephalus, and sent to Nero, as a present, by Tiridates, king of Armenia. This hill, which was added to the city by Numa m, has, to the east, Mons Esquilinus and Mons Viminalis; to the south, the Fora of Cæsar and Nerva; to the west, the level part of the city; to the north, Collis Hortulorum, now called Pincius, and the Campus Martius"; and is almost three miles in circumference o.

IV. Mons Cælius (E. fg), owes it's name to Cælius, or Cæles, a famous Tuscan general, who pitched his tents there, when he came to the assistance of Romulus against the Sabines. Livy and Dionysius Halicarnassensis attribute the taking of it in to Tullus Hostilius; but Strabo, to Ancus Martius. The other names by which it was sometimes known, were Querculanus, or Quercitulanus, and Augustus: the first occasioned by the abundance of oaks growing there; the other imposed by the emperor Tiberius, when he had

k Sixt. Pomp. Festus.

¹ Fabricii Roma, c. 3.

m Dionys. Halic. lib. 2.

n Fabricii Roma, c. 3.
Narlian. l. 1. c. 1.

q Lib. 1. c. 30.

[•] Geogr. l. 5.

P Varro de Ling. Lat. lib. 4.

r Lib. 3.

raised new buildings upon it after a fire t. One part of this hill (EF. f) was called Caliolus and Minor Cælius. To the east, it has the city-walls; to the fouth, Mons Aventinus; to the west, Mons Palatinus; to the north, Mons Esquilinus w. Its compass is about two miles and a half *.

V. The Esquiline Mount (FG. df) was anciently called Crispius and Oppius. The name of Esquilinus was varied, for the easier pronunciation, from Exquilinus, a corruption of Excubinus, ab Excubiis, from the watch that Romulus kept in this place z. It was taken in by Servius Tullius, who had his royal feat upon this hill b. Varro will have the Esquiliæ to be properly two hills ; which opinion has been fince approved of by a curious observer. To the east, it has the city-walls; to the south, the Via Labicana; to the west, the valley lying between Mons Calius and Mons Palatinus; to the north, Mons Viminalis ; and is in compass about four miles f.

VI. Mons Viminalis (FG. cd), derives its name from the great quantities of offers (Vimina) that grew there. This hill, which has to the east the Campus Esquinalis; to the south, part of the Suburra and the Forum; to the west, Mons Quirinalis; and to the north, the Vallis Quirinalis^g; is in compass two miles and a half h, and was taken in by Servius Tul-

lius i.

VII. The name of Mons Aventinus (CE. eg) has occasioned much dispute among the critics, some deriving the word from Aventinus, an Alban king '; fome

^t Tacit. Annal. 4. Suct. in Tib. c. 48.

[&]quot; Fabricii Roma, c. 3.

w Ibid.

^{*} Marlian. I. r. c. r.

y Fabricii Roma, c. 3.

z Propert. lib. z. Eleg. 4.

[&]quot; Liv. l. 1. c. 44.

[•] Ibid.

De Ling. Lat. l. 4.
Marlian. l. 1. c. 1.

^c Fabricii Roma, c. 3.

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Fabricii Roma, c. 3. h Marlian, l. 1. c. 1.

^{1.} Dionys. Halic. lib. 4.

k Varro de Ling, Lat. 1.4.

from the river Avensk; and others ab Avibus, from the birds which used to fly thither in great flocks from the Tiber. It was likewise called Murcius, from Murcia, the goddess of sleep, who had there a Sacellum, or little temple ": Collis Diana, from the temple of Diana"; and Remonius from Remus, who would have the city begun in this place, and was buried here o: A. Gellius affirms p, that this hill, being all along reputed sacred, was never inclosed within the bounds of the city till the time of Claudius. But Eutropius 4 expressly attributes the taking of it in to Ancus Martius; and an old epigram, inserted by Cuspinian, in his comment on Cassiodorus, confirms the fame.

To the east, it has the city-wall; to the south, the Campus Figulinus; to the west, the Tiber; and to the north, Mons Palatinus. It's circuit is eighteen stadia, or two miles and a quarter .

Besides these seven principal hills, three others of inferior note were taken in, in later times,

viz.

Collis Hortulorum, or Hortorum (EG. ac), which had it's name from the famous gardens of Sallust adjoining to it, and was afterwards called Pincius, from the Pincii, a noble family who had their seat there ". It has to the east and south, the plainest part of Mons Quirinalis; to the west, the Vallis Martia; and to the north, the walls of the city ". It's compass is about eighteen stadia *, and it was first inclosed within the city-walls by the emperor Aurelian y.

Ibid.

Martial.

k Varro de Lingua Latin. Fabricii Roma, c. 3. lib. 4.

m Sext. Pomp. Festus.

o Plut. in Romul.

P Lib, 13. c. 14.

⁴ Lib, 1,

Marlian. 1. r. c. 1.

^t Rosin. lib. 1. c. 11.

[&]quot; Ibid.

w Fabricii Roma, c. 3.

^{*} Marlian, lib. 1. c. 1.

y Rosin. lib. r. c. 11.

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Janiculus, or Janicularis (AC. bd), so called either from an old town of the same name, said to have been built by Janus; or, because Janus dwelt and was buried there z; or, because it was a sort of gate (7anua) to the Romans, whence they issued out upon the Tuscans a. The sparkling sands have at present given it the name of Mons Aureus, and by corruption Montorius b Two just observations concerning this hill occur from an epigram of Martial. That it is the fittest place to take one's standing for a full prospect of the city; and that it is less inhabited than the other, parts, by reason of the grossness of the air . It is still famous for the sepulchres of Numa, and the poet Statius c. To the east and south, it has the Tiber; to the west, the fields; to the north, the Vatican :: and so much of it as stands within the city-walls is about five stadia in circuit '.

Mons Vaticanus (B. a), which owes its name to the answers of the Vates, or prophets, that used to be given there; or to the god Vaticanus or Vagitanus. It seems not to have been inclosed within the walls until the time of Aurelian.

This hill was formerly famous for the sepulchre of Scipio Africanus; some remains of which are still to be seen. But it is more celebrated at present on account of St. Peter's church, the pope's palace, and the noblest library in the world.

To the east it has the Campus Vaticanus, and the river; to the south the Janiculum; to the west, the Campus Figulinus, or potter's field: to the north, the Prata Quintia. It lies in the shape of a bow drawn

^{· 2} Rosin. I. 1. c. 11.

^{*} Festus.

b Fabricii Roma, c. 3.

^{64.} Martial. Epig. lib. 4. Ep.

Fabricii Roma, I. 1. c. 3.

[·] Fabricii Roma, l. 1. c. 3.

Marlian, l. 1. c. 1.

Feftus.

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¹ Fabricii Roma, c. 3.

up very high; the convex part stretching almost a mile k.

Five other lesser hills, noticed in this plan, but of a more modern appellation, are,

Mons Albanus (CD. bc. 100).

Mons Citatorius (D. bc), or, as Donatus and Nardini call it, Mons Citorius, so named, according to the former, who quotes Livy, from it's being the place where the centuries of the péople were summoned.

Mons Jordanus (C. bc), evidently a modern name.

Mons Pincius, as it is now called, formerly Collis

Hortulorum (EH. ab).

Mons Testaceus (B. f), a hillock, formed almost intirely of potsherds and pieces of urns and other vases: but how they came to be heaped up here in such quantities, antiquarians are at a loss to say. Some think it was the place where the urns were made of old for burying the ashes of the dead: but this does not satisfy Donatus.

The greatest extent of the whole city was in the time of the emperor Valerian, who enlarged it's walls to such a degree, as to surround the space of fifty miles ^a. At present, the compass of Rome is not above

thirteen miles '.

The number of it's inhabitants, in it's flourishing state, Lipsius computes at four millions.

L U C I, Consecrated Groves and Woods.

The superstition of consecrating groves and woods to particular deities, was a practice very usual with

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^{*} Marlian. l. 1. c. 1.

¹ Lib. 3. p. 277.

m Lib. 6. c. 5.

n Lib. 4. p. 402.

⁹ Dcc. 3. 1. 6,

P Roma Vet. ac recens, p.

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⁴ Vopisc. in Aurelian.

Fabricii Roma, c. 2.

De magnitud. Rom.

the ancients: for, not to speak of those mentioned in the holy scripture, Pliny tells us, that trees, in old time, served for the temples of the gods. Tacitus reports this custom of the old Germans; Q. Curtius, of the Indians; and almost all writers, of the Druids. The Romans too were great admirers of this worship, and therefore had their Luci, or consecrated groves in

most parts of the city.

The most probable reason that can be given for this practice, is, as the judicious Kennet very properly observes in his Antiquities of Rome, taken from the common opinion, that fear was the main principle of devotion among the ignorant heathens: and therefore such dark and lonely seats, striking them with a sudden dread, made them fancy, that something divine must reside in those places, which could produce in them such an awe and reverence at their entrance.

The consecrated groves and woods noticed in this plan, were sacred to

The prophetess Carmenta, mother of Evander (C.e.

304).

The goddess Hibernia (C. e. 305).

Honour and Virtue (DE. gh).

Jupiter (CD. ef).

Mars and Augustus (FG. de).

Mars and Juno Lucina (EF. de).

The Muses; to whom was also erected a temple, indicated here by the words Lucus & Templ. Camanarum (DE. gb).

Besides which, we find a grove designated by the

proper name of

Lucus Æliorum (FG. e), belonging, probably, to some of the Ælian family; and another by that of

Lucus Esquilinus (GH. ef); so called from the Esquiline Hill, on the declivity of which it stood.

PALACES.

Those noticed in this plan, are, The Cæsarean palace (DE. cd. 144). Constantine's palace (F. fg). Dioclesian's palace (FG. cd). Nerva's palace (DE. de. 165).

PORTICOS.

The Porticos of the Romans were magnificent structures, most commonly annexed to public edifices, sacred and civil, as well for ornament as use, and generally named either from some temple that stood near them, or from their authors, or from the nature and form of the buildings, or from the kind of shops that were kept in them, or from some remarkable painting in them, or from the places to

which they joined '.

These Porticos were sometimes put to very serious uses, such as even assemblies of the senate, upon certain occasions; though they were principally intended for the pleasure of walking and riding in them; in the shade in summer, and in the dry in winter. Velleius Paterculus 'mentions them as an instance of the extravagant luxury of the Romans, when their manners grew more and more corrupt, after the otherwise happy conclusion of the Carthaginian war: and Juvehal " has a complaint to the same purpose.

The Porticos noticed in this plan, are,

That which Augustus built in memory of his nephews Caius and Lucius Casars (GH. ef), and that of

The temple of Quirinus (EF. cd).

There were several others very famous in ancient Rome; but we do not find them mentioned here.

⁸ Fabricii Roma, c. 13. Sat. 7. t Lib. 2. c. 1.

STREETS IN ROME, AND ROADS which entered that City.

It would be impossible for us, now-a-days, to try to point out either all the streets of ancient Rome, or all the ways that lead to or from that capital of the world. We shall therefore content ourselves with ranging in their alphabetical order, those only which are noticed in this plan, viz.

Via Alexandrina (BC. ab), over the Vatican hill.

Alta Semita, the way from the Capitol to the gate Nomentana, now St. Agnes.

Appia (DE. fg), so named from the censor Appius

Claudius, who paved it.

Campania (FG. gh), so called from its leading to Campania.

Campi Floræ (BC. c), leading to the Campus Floræ,

Capitolii & Templ. Apollinis (CD. d. 258).

Capitolina (CD. cd), from the Capitol to the Forum Olitorium, or Herb-market.

Calimontana (FG. fg), the street or road over mount Calius.

Collatina (F. bc), leading to the gate Collatina, now

Pinciana. Gabiusa (EF. sg), which led from the gate Ga-

biusa.

Julia (BC. bc), so named from Augustus's daughter

Julia.

Sub Kaniculo (BC.bc), leading from the bridge Janiculensis, on the other side of the Tiber, to Mons Vaticanus.

Labiana (FI. fg), leading into the country from the

gate Nævia, now the gate of the Holy Cross.

Lata (DE. ab. &c.), so called from it's extent. Longobarda (DE. b), near Augustus's Mausoleum.

Nomentana, called also Viminalis (I-II. cd), which led from the gate formerly called Nomentana, now St. Agnes. Ostienss Ostiensis (BC. fg), which led from Rome to Ostium, through the gate Trigemina, now St. Paul's gate.

Portuensis (AB. ef), leading from the gate of that

name.

Posterula (AB. ab), leading from the gate Posterula. Prænestina (HI. fg), the Prænestini road, through the gate Nævia.

Regulæ (BC. cd), so called, perhaps, from the famous

Regulus.

Sacra (DE. cd), leading from the Forum to the

place afterwards occupied by Constantine's arch.

Salaria, called also Collatina, and Quirinalis (H. ac), led from the gate Salaria, which had also the names of Collina and Quirinalis.

Taurina (HI. ef), from the Esquiline gate.

Tiburtina (HI. ef), the road to Tibur, through the

Esquiline gate.

Transtiberina (BC. de), the road on the other side of the Tiber, from the Palatine bridge.

TEMPLES.

The temples of the ancients were built after different manners: one sort was called Antes or Parastates, because there were no pillars or pediments, but only square pilasters, called Antes. Vitruvius gives us a model of this kind, in a temple of Fortune, the particulars of which are not known. A fecond kind of temple was called Prostilus, because it had no pillars, but in the front: such was the temple of Ceres Eleusina begun by Jetinus, and finished by Philo. A third sort of temple was called Amphiprostylus, that is, a double Prostylus, having columns behind, as well as before: such was the temple of Concord. A fourth was called Periptere, because it had pillars all around 3 and of this kind was the temple built to Honour and Virtue by the architect Mutius. A fifth fort of temple

ple was named Pseudo-Dipterus, that is, a false Dipterus, because it had not the two rows of pillars which the Dipterus has; and of this kind was the temple of Diana in the city of Magnesia, built by Hermogenes Alabandinus. A sixth was called Dipterus, because it was surrounded with two rows of pillars: of this sort was the temple of Diana at Ephesus, built by Ctesiphon and Metagenes. And a seventh sort, called Hypethrum, was open at top to the air and weather: such was the temple of Jupiter Olympus built at Athens, by Cossiutius, a Roman architect.

The following are the temples noticed in this plan. Templum Antonini & Faustina, the temple of Antoninus and Faustina (D. de. 284), erected by the emperor Marcus Aurelius, in honour of his father-in-law, and predecessor, Titus Antoninus, and of his wife Faustina; the behaviour of which last little intitled her to any such distinction . Some considerable remains of this temple still subsist, and are the subject

of one of Piranesi's beautiful drawings.

Templum Apollinis, the temple of Apollo (CD. de. 270), built by Augustus, in honour of his favourite deity, Apollo, after his victory at Actium, upon mount Palatine; whence this temple was called that of Apollo Palatinus. This structure, according to the accounts of ancient writers, was amazingly magnificent. It was built of the finest marble of Claros, and embellished with the richest ornaments, both within and without. It's gates were of ivory, enriched with basso-relievos, representing the Gauls, when they were thrown headlong down from the top of the Capitol, by T. Manlius. In the frontispiece was a chariot of the sun, of massy gold, crowned with rays so prodigiously resplendent, that they dazzled the eyes of

See M. Rollin's account of Y. Id. Vol. II. p. 313. the building of this temple, &c.

W See Crevier, Vol. VII. p. in his Rom. Hist. Vol. XV. p. 202 and 329.

the beholders. Within the temple was a marble statue of Apollo, made by the celebrated Scopas; and a colossal one, of brass, fifty feet high; together with a candlestick, in the form of a tree, whose branches were covered with clusters of lamps, in imitation of fruit. Upon these branches the poets used to hang their poems which they offered up to Apollo, as Horace informs us z. To this temple, dedicated to the god of arts, was, very properly, joined a noble library a, filled with all the best Greek and Latin authors then extant: and all around were spacious porticos, for the use and convenience of the public.

Bëtween DE and gh we find Ara Apollinis, an altar dedicated to the same god; just without the walls of Rome, upon the borders of mount Aventine.

Templum Augusti, the temple of Augustus (D. de. 282), near the Ruminal Fig-tree; which last has been

spoken of already under the article ÆDES.

Templum Augusti & Bacchi, the temple of Augustus and Bacchus (D. de. 277), near the Forum. How these two came to be joined together in the dedication

of this temple, is more than we can tell.

Templum Bacchi, the temple of Bacchus (I. bc), without the walls of Rome. This temple, now the church of St. Constantia, is supported on the inside by twenty-four noble pillars of granite. It's ancient mosaic cieling, and the old windows, by which the light was let in from the roof, Itill remain. Behind the present altar stands an antique urn of porphery, all of one piece, eight feet long, four and a half deep, and five seet wide; it's cover upwards of two feet thick: and on each side of the altar, is an antique candlestick of marble, finely wrought.

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a See Rollin's Rom. Hist. Vol. XV. p. 315.

temple to him, by order of the senate, see Crevier's Rom. Emp. Vol. III. p. 13 and 14.

c Of the infide of which Piranesi has given us a fine drawing.

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b For the deisication of Augustus, and the building of this

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Templum Bonæ Deæ, the temple of the goddess Bona, or the Good Goddess (BC. ef. 307). This deity, called also by the ancients Fatua, and Senta, was Dryas the wife of Faunus, remarkable for her exemplary chastity. The Roman ladies, who held her in great veneration, sacrificed to her in the night, in a little chapel, into which men were not permitted to enter; nor were they allowed ever to be present at her sacrifices. It was for violating this rule, that Cicero prosecuted the debauched Clodius 1, who had found means to introduce himself into this chapel in disguise, and thereby polluted the mysteries of the good goddess. --- A solemn sacrifice to her was celebrated yearly in the house of the high-priest, who, though the chief minister on all other similar occasions, was, on this, (because of his being a man) obliged to quit his dwelling the moment the ceremonies began, and leave the performance of them to his wife, and the virgins confecrated to this goddess, who were also affisted by the vestals. The place where this goddess was facrificed to, was adorned with all forts of plants, except myrtle, which was forbidden, on account of it's being facred to Venus.

Templum & Lucus Camanarum, the temple and grove of the Muses (DE. gb). When, or by whom, the former was built, and the latter dedicated, we know not.

Templum Cereris, the temple of Ceres (CD. ef), near the Circus Maximus. The Cerealia and Ludi Cereales, Feasts and Plays in honour of Ceres, were first instituted among the Romans by the edile Memmius, as appears from a medal on which is the essigles of Ceres holding in one hand three ears of corn, and in the other a torch, and having her left foot upon a serpent, with this inscription, Memmius Ædilis Cerealia primus fecit. The Athenians had long before kept

d See Rollin's Ram. Hist. Vol. XII. p. 20-27.

a feast to her, which they called Thesmophoria and Eleusia. The epithet of Eleusina was given to Ceres upon this ocasion. Searching all places for her daughter Proserpine, she came to Eleusina, where she undertook to be nurse to Triptolemus, the son of king Eleusius; and when he was grown up, she taught him the art of fowing corn and making bread. In return for so great a benefit, he appointed her a feast, and priests, called Eumolpides, from his son Eumolpus. Crowns of flowers were not used in this feast, but of myrtle and ivy, because Proserpine was stolen while she was gathering flowers. Her votaries carried lighted torches, and ran about calling aloud for Proserpine, as she had done when in search of her upon mount Ida. The priests of this goddess were called Taciti Mystæ, because they were not allowed to discover their mysterious rites. The Isis of the Egyptians was certainly the Ceres of the Romans.

Templum Claudii Cæsaris, the temple of Claudius Cæsar (EF. fg), whose deification was proposed by Nero, and ordered by the senate. This temple was begun by Agrippina, and finished by Vespasian.

Templum Concordiæ, the temple of Concord (CD. d. 254), and again (CD. de. 266). One of these was probably the temple which Tiberius dedicated to Con-

cord, by order of his mother Livia f.

Templum Dianæ, the temple of Diana (C. f). The first temple built to this goddess, at Rome, was on mount Aventine, in the reign of Servius Tullius, at the joint expence of the Romans and Latins, as a place for them to meet at yearly, to offer a sacrifice, in commemoration of the league made between the two nations g.

Templum Famæ, the temple of Fame (CD. de. 235). We know not by whom this temple was built, or when.

See Crevier, Vol. IV. p. 4.

Id. Vol. I: p. 269.

P. 164.

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Templum & Domus Familiæ Flavianæ, the temple and house of the Flavian family (FG. cd). This temple was built, and a college of priests instituted, in honour of the Flavian family, by the emperor Domitian h.

Templum Fauni, the temple of Faunus (EF. ef). Faunus was king of the Aborigines, in Latium, at the time when Evander arrived there. Dionysius of Halicarnassus calls him the son of Mars; and says, that the Romans, after his death, made him one of the tutelar gods of the country: to which he adds, that, in process of time, it became a common opinion, that Faunus was the wild-god, whose voice was heard by night in forests, and frightened people. In esfect, Faunus and Pan seem often to be confounded together, as the god of Fear. Ovid seems not to make any distinction between them; and Aurelius Victor thinks, they were one and the same. Virgil makes Faunus a god of oracles and predictions. From this Faunus were supposed to be derived the Satyrs, Pans, and Sylvans, formerly taken for Genii and demi-gods, inhabiting woods and mountains, and represented with small horns on their head, pointed ears, and the rest of their bodies like goats. The country-people worshipped them, and offered them goats in facrifice. These demi-gods were known to the Latins only, and not to the Greeks.

Templum Febris, T. Trajanorum, & T. Neptuni, the temple of Fever, of Trajan, and of Neptune (CD. e. 272), near the Circus Maximus. That the Romans built temples to mischievous beings, for the same reason, we suppose, as the Indians now worship the devil, is very certain. But how the same building comes here to be consecrated to Fever, Trajan, or the Trajans, and Neptune, is more than we can say.

Templum Felicitatis, the temple of Happiness (G. de). We find a temple of Happiness mentioned by

h See Crevier, Vol. VI. p. 312.

Pliny,

Pliny, which probably was this; concerning which antiquarians tell us nothing farther, than that it was adorned with a statue of the goddess, made by a famous statuary called Archecilas, which cost Lucullus

fixty great sesterces.

Numa is said to have been the first that erected a temple and appointed public worship to Fides, leith; and to have taught the Romans, that the most sacred oath they could take, was to swear en fide, by their faith, or veracity. His intention was to render their promises, without writings or witnesses, as firm and certain as contracts made and sworn to with the greatest formalities; and in this he succeeded to his wish. Polybius gives this glorious testimony of the Romans, that they inviolably kept their faith, that is, their word, without any occasion for witnesses or securities; whereas nothing could bind the Greeks to their promises.

Templum Fidei, T. Jovis Custodis, the temple of Faith, and the temple of Jupiter the Preserver (CD. de. 262). We have just spoken of the former of these deities; and shall mention the latter, to whom alone we shall find another temple erected, under the word Jupiter Custos. How they came to be joined here,

is more than we can fay.

Templum Floræ, the temple of Flora (CD. ef), near the Circus Maximus; and another, between GH, and bc, towards the Gate Salaria.—Varro reckons Flora among the divinities that were honoured by the Sabines, and introduced at Rome, when that people, with their king Tatius, joined themselves to the Romans. Lactantius describes her as a courtezan, who left her substance to the Roman people; in return for which they decreed her extraordinary honours, and games

¹ Lib. 36. c. 5.
21. Dionys.

1. r. p. 134. Plut. in Num.

Liv. l. t. c. 21. Dionys.

1 Lib. 6.

called Floralia, where she was intitled the goddess of flowers. These games were first instituted five hundred and thirteen years after the foundation of Rome. We do not find that they were kept annually: but in the year five hundred and eighty, at the celebrating of them, harlots danced naked, with a thousand lascivious tricks and postures. We find the place where they danced thus marked in this plan, between the temple we are speaking of, and the Salarian way, with the words Ludi Florales meretricium nudarum.

Templum Malæ Fortunæ, the temple of Bad Fortune (GH. d).—The Pagans, in general, held Fortune to be a goddess, the ruler of all events, both good and bad. The Romans gave her several appellations, such as Fortuna Libera, redux, publica, primigenia, equestris, parva, fors or fortis, virilis, feminea, &c.1. but the two kinds of Fortune, which they chiefly distinguished, were, the one good and the other bad; to the last of which they probably addressed themselves in order to deprecate her ill-will.

Templum Fortunæ Primigeniæ, the temple of the eldest, or first-born Fortune (GH. cd). We find mention made m of a temple erected to this goddess, by Servius Tullius, near the Capitol: but we cannot fay who erected this, which stood between the Vimi-

nal and the Esquiline hills.

Templum Fortunæ Publicæ, the temple of Public. Fortune (F. cd). This building stood at the bottom of the Quirinal hill, near the way called Viminalis and Nomentana; but we know not by whom it was crected.

I For a more particular ac- III. p. 294. Vol. IX. p. 259. and Crevier, Vol. I. p. 106. Vol. VII. m Rollin, Rom. Hist. Vol. I. p. 148.

count of these several kinds of Fortune, worthipped by the Ro- p. 244. and Vol. VIII. p. 143. mans, see Rollin's Rom. Hist. Vol. I. p. 148 and 342. Vol.

Templum Fortune Virilis, the temple of Virile, or Courageous Fortune (AB. e); and another between CD. and de. fig. 240.—Ancus Martius, fourth king of the Romans, was the first man who built a temple at Rome, to this goddess; with a design to intimate, say some writers, that courage is not less requisite than good fortune, to obtain victories. If either of these buildings was that which Ancus built, we think it must have been the latter, upon the foundations of which now stands the Armenian church dedicated to St. Mary of Egypt.

Templum Herculis, the temple of Hercules (BC. ef); another, of the same (HI. b); and a third (C. de.

241), now a church dedicated to St. Stephen.

We also find an Altar dedicated to Hercules, by the name of Ara maxima Herculis (CD. de. 299), at the end of the Circus Maximus next the Tiber.

of Honour (H. b). This temple was built by an excellent architect called Mutius, by order of Marius, and might have been reckoned among the noblest buildings in ancient Rome, if the magnificence of the materials (which were only stone) had been answerable to the greatness of the design. It was particularly remarkable for this, that the entrance of it was dedicated to Virtue, and the rest to Honour; and that it had no posticum, or back-door, as most other temples had; thereby intimating, that we must not only pass through virtue to attain to honour, but that honour is also obliged to repass through virtue; that is, to persevere therein, and acquire more of it.

Templum Jani, the temple of Janus, (CD. d. 259). The Romans, at different times, built three temples to Janus. In the first, erected by Romulus after he had made peace with the Sabines, stood a statue of Janus

n M. Rollin, Rom. Hist. Vol. the first temple of Janus, to Nu-I. p. 71. ascribes the building of ma, as an acknowledgment to D 2

Janus with two faces; intimating, that the Romans and Sabines were united into one people, and that the two kings, Romulus and Tatius, made but one head to govern them. This temple was in the Roman Forum; and Procopius says, that in his time, the remains of it were still to be seen there, overagainst the Capitol, with a little niche of brass, in which was a statue of Janus, of the same metal, five feet high. Numa ordered that the gates of this temple, which were but two, should always be shut in time of peace, and open in time of war; ceremonies, which Virgilo has described with a noble elegance: and accordingly when the conful, apointed to command the army, was ready to set out, he went to this temple, attended by the senate, the chief citizens, and his soldiers in their military dresses, and opened it's gates. This ceremony was, indeed, very seldom performed; the Romans being almost continually engaged in wars. P The new consuls took possession of their office in this temple; whence they were faid to open the year.

The second temple of Janus was built by Cn. Duillius, in the Forum Olitorum, or herb-market, after the first Carthaginian war; and this, being fallen to decay, was rebuilt by the emperor Tiberius, according to Tacitus^q.

The third temple of fanus, here called Templum Jani Augusti, was situated in the Velabrum (CD. de. 242), a little valley on one side of the Forum Boarium, or ox-market, between the Capitol and mount Aventine. It was a square building, of the Ionic order, and entirely

the gods for the tranquility Rome enjoyed at his accession to the throne.

o Æn. 7. v. 607.

71. IV. 168. XVI. 117. and Crevier's Rom. Emp. Vol. I. p. 56, 60, 209, 291. Vol. IV. p. 299. Vol. VI. p. 78, 340. and Vol. VIII. p. 417.

For the times of opening and closing this temple, see Rollin's Rom. Hist. Vol. I. p.

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of marble y. Marlianus z, in whose time it still remained almost entire, will not allow it to be so ancient as is pretended by some writers, who say, that it was built by Numa, and repaired by Augustus. This was the temple of Janus Quadrifrons, or fourfaced Janus; and owed it's origin, as well as name," to the following accident, according to Servius. The Romans, says he, after the taking of Faleria in Tuscany, having met with a statue of Janus that had four faces, were desirous to have such a one at Rome; and to honour him the more, they built him a temple with four fronts, each having twelve niches in it, with a great gate, which denoted the four seasons and the twelve months of the year. Varro fays there were also twelve altars in this temple dedicated to Janus, each of which represented a month of the year.

Templum Junonis, the temple of Juno (C. de), on mount Aventine: and another of the same name on the Quirinal hill (FG. c): but we know not by whom

either of these was erected.

Templum Junonis Moneta, the temple of Juno Moneta (CD. de. 255), so called à monendo, from her having given falutary advice to the Romans a when they were greatly distressed, either by the Gauls, or by Pyrrhus; authors are not agreed which. It was built in the year of Rome 410, M. Fabius Dorso and Servius Sulpicius Camerinus being consuls by upon the declivity of the Capitoline hill towards the Tiber.

Templum Junonis Sospitæ, the temple of Juno Sospita; by which epithet is meant the Giver or Preserver of Health c. This building stood on mount Palatine, not far from the Roman Forum (D. de).

Topog. Rom. Antiq. 1. 6.

Y This feems to be the building of which we have a drawing in the right hand corner of the annexed plan.

^{*} Cic. de Divin. l. 1. n. 101.

b Rollin, Rom, Hift, Vol. III.

c Cic. de Div. 1. 1. n. 2. Templum

Templum Junonis Reginæ, the temple of Queen Juno (BC. ef); a superb structure, erected by the dictator Camillus for a famous statue of this goddess, which he took in the city of Veii, and transported to Rome.

Templum Jovis Custodis, the temple of Jupiter the Preserver (CD. de. 265). This was one of the fixty temples, that stood upon the Capitoline hill. Jupiter Custos was represented in it, holding his thunder with one hand, and a dart with the other; and the figure of the emperor was either under his thunder, to shew that he was under Jupiter's protection; or else engraved, laying upon a globe, and holding an image of victory; with the eagle at his feet, and these words, Jovi Conservatori Augustorum nostrorum. Very near the same place (at 262) is another temple dedicated to Jupiter Custos and Faith, as we observed before.

Templum Jovis Feretrii, the temple of Jupiter Feretrius (CD. ed. 261), built by Romulus upon the Capitoline hill, in order to deposit there the armour of Acron, king of the Cæninenses, whom he slew with his own hand; and to be a repository for any future spoils of the same kind, which were called opima spolia. The epithet Feretrius was derived from the Latin word Feretrum, which we find used by Livy, to signify the trophy carried by Romulus on this occa-

fion °.

Templum fovis Optimi Maximi, likewise called the temple of fupiter Capitolinus, and, most commonly, the Capitol (CD. de. 236). This building was the effect of a vow made by the elder Tarquin in the Sabine war! but he had scarce laid the foundation of it before his death. His nephew, Tarquin the Proud, sinished it with the spoils taken from the neighbouring

See Rollin's Rom. Hist. Vol. I. p. 44.

Livy, I. 1. See also Rollin's Rom. Hist. Vol. I. p. 138.

nations

We have a full and curious account of this transaction in M. Rollin's Rom. Hist. Vol. II. p. 271—276.

nations g. But upon the expulsion of the kings, the consecration of the building was performed by the consul Horatius b. This structure stood upon a high hill, called Mons Capitolinus, and took in four acres of ground. The front was adorned with three rows of pillars: the other sides with two i. There were three chapels in it: that of Jupiter in the middle; that of Minerva on the right hand, near the place where the nail was driven in annually, to reckon the number of years; and that of Juno on the left. The ascent to it was by an hundred steps k. The prodigious gifts and ornaments, with which it was endowed at different times, almost exceed belief. Suetonius tells us, that Augustus gave to it at once two thousand pounds weight of gold: and in jewels and precious stones, to the value of five hundred sestertia. Livy and Pliny m surprise us with accounts of the brazen thresholds; the noble pillars that Sylla removed thither from the temple of Jupiter Olympius at Athens; the gilded roof; the gilded shields, and those of solid silver; the huge vessels of silver; the golden chariot; and many other valuable things with which this temple was enriched. It was first consumed by fire in. the Marian war, and then rebuilt by Sylla, who, dying before the dedication, left that honour to Quintus Catulus ⁿ. This too was demolished in the Vitellian sedition°. Vespasian built it anew a third time, and confecrated it with great ceremony p: but this also was burnt about the time of his death. Domitian raised the last, and most magnificent of all, in which.

h Plut. in Poplicol.

k Tacit.

E Liv. ibid. and Rollin, Vol.I. p. 177.

Dionys, Halicarnas.

¹ In August. c. 30.

m Liv. 1. 35, 38. Plin. 1. 33, &c.

n See Rollin, Vol. X. p. 106 and 139.

Vol. V. p. 312.

P Of which we have a particular account in Crevier's Rom. Emp. Vol. VI. p. 32.

the gilding alone cost twelve thousand talents?: on which account Plutarch has observed of that emperor, that he was, like Midas, desirous of turning every thing into gold. In this temple vows were made, and solemn oaths; here the citizens ratisfied the acts of the emperors, and swore fealty to them, and hither the magistrates, and the generals that triumphed, came to give thanks to the gods for the victories they had obtained, and to pray for the prosperity of the empire. The now very small remains of this building are converted into a Christian church, dedicated to the virgin Mary, under the appellation of Sansta Maria in Ara Cæli.

Templum Jovis Statoris, the temple of Jupiter Stator (D. de. 267). Romulus, feeing his men give way in a battle against the Sabines commanded by their king Tatius, and already in possession of the Capitol, prayed to Jupiter to stop them, and vowed, if his request was granted, to build a temple to him in that very place, as a monument that Rome was saved by his protection. The Romans rallied and defeated their enemies; and Romulus acquitted himfelf of his engagement, by erecting, at the foot of the Capitoline hill, this temple, which he dedicated to his god under the name of Stator; an epithet derived from the Latin word sistere, to stop. Piranesi has given a drawing of some of the pillars of this temple, which still remain.

Templum Jovis Tonantis, the temple of Jupiter the Thunderer (CD. d. 250). As Augustus was marching against the Cantabrians, the thunder fell near his litter in the night, and killed one of his servants, who carried a torch: whereupon that emperor vowed a temple to Jupiter Tonans, for having preserved him

P Plut. in Poplicol. See also nat. Nardini, & alii. Crevier, Vol. VI. p. 317.

See also Rollin's Rom. Hist.

Vol. I. p. 47, & seq.

Fabricii Roma, c. 9. Do-

in so great a danger t. He accordingly built this, at the foot of the Capitoline hill, with such magnificence of structure and elegance of taste, as, if we may judge from it's few remaining pillars of Oriental marble, now greatly funk into the ground, shew the vast perfection to which the polite arts were carried in the Augustan age ". Fortune is here added to the appellation of this temple.

Templum Jovis Victoris, the temple of Jupiter the Conqueror (CD. de. 273); erected by the consul L. Papyrius Cursor, for his victory over the Gauls and

Samnites w, in the year of Rome 459.

Besides these temples erected to Jupiter, under various appellations, we have, in this plan, a chapel dedicated to him and Minerva, Sacellum Jovis & Minervæ, between the letters F and G, and over

against c.

Templum Liberi (CD. ef), and, near the same spot, Templum Liberæ; both almost adjoining to the Circus Maximus.—Liber was one of the epithets given to Bacchus; either because he procured the Bœotians their liberty; or because he is the god of wine, and drinking gives a temporary ease to disturbed minds. We find on the consular medals of the family of Cassia, representations of Liber and Libera, as they are called in ancient inscriptions; that is, of male and female Bacchus: and Tacitus inform us *, that Tiberius repaired and dedicated anew, the temples of Liber and Libera, which time and other accidents had greatly damaged.

"As for the mysteries of Liber, says St. Augustine", "whom they (the heathens) have made to preside over the seminal powers of liquids, I mean, not

"only over the juices of fruits, among which wine has the pre-eminence, but also over the seed of ani-

^t Sueton. in August. and Crevier, Vol. I. p. 369.

u Piranesi has given a noble x Annal. l. 2. drawing of the remains of this temple in his Views of Rome.

w Sec Rollin's Rom. Hift. Vol. III. p. 283-293.

J De Civitat. Dei, 1. 7. c. 21.

" mals;

"mais; I am loth to take notice of the excess of in-" famy they arrived to therein; but yet I must say " (in order to confound the arrogant stupidity of our " adversaries), though I am obliged to omit many other things upon this occasion, because they are too tedious; that, according to the testimony of Varro, "the feasts of Liber were celebrated with so much " licentiousness in some places in Italy, that, in hoof him, they gave adoration to the privy of parts of man, and that not in secret to cover their " thame, but publickly to make wickedness appear triumphant: for they placed him after an honour-" able manner in a chariot, which was brought into "the city after they had first drawn it through the "fields. But at Lavinium they spent a whole month in celebrating the feasts of Liber only, during which time, there all imaginable impurity of speech was " encouraged, until the said chariot had traversed the "market-place, and was brought whither the peo-" ple designed to deposit what they carried: after which, the most virtuous ladies in the city must go and crown this infamous thing, before the multi-"tude. In this manner it was that they made the god Liber favourable to seeds, and expelled charms and witchcraft out of the earth."

Templum Libertatis, the temple of Liberty (C. e); built, according to Dion Cassius, upon mount Aventine, on the very spot where Cicero's house once stood, enriched with several brass pillars, and numbers of fine statues.

Templum Martis, the temple of Mars (D. de. 167), on the declivity of the Capitoline hill; built by Augustus to the god Mars, with the addition of the epithet of Ulter, the Avenger, in consequence of a vow made by him in the Philippic war, and of

[#] Lib. 43.

⁴ See Crevier's Rom. Emp. Vol. 1. p. 96.

the supposed assistance of this deity in helping him to revenge the death of Julius Cæsar. The eagles, and other military enfigns of the Romans, were kept in this temple, which was of a round form; as was also, by order of the senate, the chariot in which Cæsar had triumphed i. We have another of the same shape, and dedicated to the same god, just without the walls of Rome, near the Latine gate; un-

der the letter E, and betwen g and b.

Templum Matris Deorum, the temple of the Mother of the Gods (D. de). The Romans had no knowledge of this deity, which we find called by the various names of Cybele, Ops, Rhea, Idæ Mater, &c. till the year of Rome 547, in the consulship of P. Cornelius Scipio, afterwards surnamed Africanus, and P. Licinius Crassus, when a shower of large hail, mistaken for stones, fell, and greatly alarmed the people during the second Punic war. They had recourse to the books of the Sibyls; which telling them, that in order to drive their enemies out of Italy, they must bring the mother of the gods from Pessinuntum to Rome, they dispatched ambassadors to Attalus king of Phrygia, and he delivered to them the goddess, who was represented by a thick, shapeless, rough stone. M. Valerius, one of the deputies, being arrived at Teracina with this stone, sent notice of it to the senate, telling them, that it was necessary to depute, together with a number of ladies, the best man in the city, to receive her. The conscript fathers pitched upon P. Cornelius Scipio Nasica, who, with the Roman ladies, went to receive her at Ostia, and brought her to Rome, where they placed her in the temple of Victory, upon mount Palatine. The censors, M. Livius and Claudius, built a temple for her the next year, and M. Junius Brutus dedicated it thirteen years after k.

ticular, and very sensible ac-

¹ Dio, 1.50. k See Rollin's Rom. Hist. count of this transaction, Vol.VI. p. 181-184, for a par-

Templum Mercurii, the temple of Mercury (CD. ef), near the Circus Maximus. We cannot say by whom this temple was built. The Greeks and Romans sacrificed a calf to this deity; and made him oblations of milk and honey, as to the god of sweet eloquence. Callistratus and Homer say, it was a custom to prefent him neat's-tongues, by throwing them into the fire, and sprinkling them with wine, because he was the god of speech, of which the tongue is the organ. The Germans, according to Tacitus, worshipped him as the fovereign of the gods, and offered him human sacrifices. The Greeks erected statues to him, which they placed before their houses, and the Romans set up others of the same kind in their crossways and high-roads. These statues, called Hermæ, had neither arms nor legs, and were a quite shapeless lump of matter, excepting that they had a head.

Templum Minervæ, the temple of Minerva (DE. ef), near the Circus Maximus; and another (D. gb), just without the walls of Rome, upon the borders of mount Aventine, probably that which Ovid speaks

of k, as a most magnificent structure.

Templum Dex Nenia, the temple of the goddess Nenia (HI. c), who presided over the dirges or mournful tunes sung at the hurying of the dead ". This temple stood just without the gate Nomentana, now St. Agnes: and a little farther was a grove, in which it was customary to sacrifice a red-haired dog (whence the name Catularia) and a sheep, towards the beginning of April; the former to the Dog-star,

. Fast. 1. 6.

narchy and the city of Jeru-·falem, and David's mourning for the death of Saul and Jonalamentation or complaint. Those than, were, properly, Nenie. elegant pieces, the lamenta- The Nenier for the dead began immediately after the party ex-

¹ Nenia is derived from a Hebrew word, which fignifics tions of Jeremy upon the destruction of the Jewish mo- pired.

that it might not parch the corn upon the ground; and the latter to Mildew m (Rubigo) that it might not

blight it.

Templum Opis & Saturni, the temple of Ops and Saturn (CD. de, 257), two of the first gods of the Latines. The Romans gave the name of Ops to the earth. This temple stood upon the Capitoline hill, near those of Jupiter Custos, and Jupiter Stator.

Templum Pacis, the temple of Peace (DE. de), begun by the emperor Claudius, and finished by Vespasian, who not only embellished it with paintings and statues of the greatest masters, but likewise deposited in this building all the spoils and riches taken by his son Titus in the temple of Jerusalem. It was burnt in the reign of Commodus. Piranesi has given us an elegant drawing of the ruins that now remain of

this once magnificent temple.

The Pantheon (CD. c. 90), built by M. Agrippa, son-in-law of Augustus, and dedicated by him to Jupiter the Avenger, acording to Pliny's account; and to Mars, Venus, and Julius Cæsar, according to Dion Cassius 4: but the most probable opinion is, that it was dedicated to all the Gods, as it's very name (quest των ωάντων Θεων) implies. This structure, according to Fabricius, is an hundred and forty feet high, and about as much in breadth. The roof is curiously vaulted, void spaces being left here and there for greater strength. The rafters, forty feet long, were plated with brass. There are no windows in the whole edifice: but a very sufficient light is let in through a round hole in the top of the roof. The walls of the Pantheon are eighteen feet thick. and either of folid marble, or incrusted on the in-

m Ovid, Fast. 4.
n See Crevier, Vol.VI. p. 81

and 97.

Id. Vol. VII. p. 400.

See Crevier, Vol. I. p. 54

and 55.

⁹ Lib. 1. c. 2.

Roma, c. 9.

^{*} Nodot, Relation de la

Cour de Rome, p. 460.

side: the outside of the front was formerly covered with plates of brass gilt, and the top with plates of silver; in lieu of which there now is lead. The gates were of brass, of extraordinary size and work-

manship w.

This temple, which was damaged by a great fire in the reign of Titus *, and afterwards repaired and beautified by Adrian ' and Severus 2, is still standing, with little alteration, except the loss of it's old ornaments, and that instead of ascending to it by twelve steps, as formerly, the same number is now descended at it's entrance. Pope Bonisace the Fourth, who begged this building of the emperor Phocas, changed it's ancient name, by dedicating it to the virgin Mary and all the saints a. It is now generally called Santa Maria della Rotonda b: the epithet rotonda being taken from it's circular from. We have a view of this edifice in the left hand corner of the annexed plan.

Templum Penatum, the temple of the Houshold Gods (DE. ef); near the Circus Maximus. The Dii Penates were worshipped by the ancients in their houses, and looked upon as the souls, or Genii of deceased persons belonging to the particular families. These gods were honoured within doors, by burning, in the nature of first fruits, part of each thing that was served to the table; or by publickly sacrificing a sow to them, as to those who presided over the streets and high-ways. There were also the public Penates of the city and empire, which Æneas brought from Troy, and which Varro believed to have been carried thither from Samothrace. The temple here mentioned was that of these public Penates. A light was continually burnt before the Penates, to whom libations and in-

^t Marlian. 1. 6. c. 6.

^w Id. & Fabric. c. 9. w Marlian. 1. 6. c. 6.

^{*} See Crevier, Vol. V. p. 295. p. 396.

V Id. Vol. VII. p. 154.

² Id. Vol. VIII. p. 134.

See the Hist. of the Popes, published by J. Mills, Vol. I.

b Id. & Fabric. c. 9.

cense were offered upon almost all occasions. Lucan observes, that, in time of peace, the Romans used to hang up their arms in the place appertaining to their houshold gods, as intrusting them to their keeping; and that it was esteemed an abominable sacrilege to commit murder in the presence of Vesta, that is, in the entry, and before the perpetual fire of the houshold gods.

Templum Quietis, the temple of Rest (F. ef): by whom built, or what were the rites peculiar to this

temple, we know not.

Templum Quirini, the temple of Quirinus (FG. c. 294), upon the Quirinal hill; and again (GH. b) without the walls, between the gates Pinciana and Salaria. Quirinus was a furname of Romulus, who was so called from Quiris, a sort of javelin which the Sabines used, according to Festus; or from the Sabines themselves, who were called Cures; or from the god Mars, who was called Quiris, and from whom Romulus was said to be descended. The former of these temples was decreed by the senate immediately after the death of Romulus c, and the latter was consecrated by the dictator L. Papirius Cursor, in the year of Rome 459 d.

Templum Romuli & Remi, the temple of Romulus and Remus (C. de) upon mount Aventine. We cannot

fay when, or by whom, this edifice was built.

Templum Saturni, the temple of Saturn, of which we find three in this plan, viz. (D. de. 168),—(CD. de, 237), — and (CD. de. 238). The first temple of Saturn was erected by Tatius king of the Sabines, after the peace concluded between him and Romulus: the second was consecrated by Tullus Hostilius, after he had triumphed three times over the Sabines, and twice over the Albans; at which time he likewise instituted the Saturnalia: and the third was dedi-

c Rollin, Rom. Hist. Vol. I. d Id. Vol. III. p. 293. p. 61.

cated by the consuls A. Sempronius Atratinus, and M. Minutius. One of these temples, but we cannot say precisely which, was the place where the public money, and the records and registers of the state were kept; and also the place where foreign ambassadors were first received by the public treasurers, who set down their names in the registers of the treasury, and defrayed their expences. There too the names of all the citizens were inrolled; and slaves, who had obtained their freedom, went thither, and hung up their chains.

Templum Serapis, the temple of Serapis (CD. ef), and (GH. c), an Egyptian deity, the worship of which is said to have been introduced at Rome by Adrian, after his return from Alexandria. Serapis is thought to be the same with the

fun.

Templum Solis Aureliani, Aurelian's temple of the Sun (DE. cd), upon the Quirinal hill. The Phænicians called the sun Elagabal, from whence came the name of Heliogabalus, given to the emperor Antoninus, who was priest of that planet, to which he erected a temple on mount Palatine, and would have removed thither not only all the sacrifices of the Romans, but also those of the Jews.

Templum Solis & Luna, the temple of the Sun and Moon (DE. de. 287); supposed, by some, to have been also called Isis & Serapis We have an accurate drawing of the small remains of this temple, in Pirane-

si's Vieres of Rome.

Templum Dei Sylvani, the temple of the god Sylvanus (EF. c), who, say the poets, presided over forests and land-marks. Some call him the son of Faunus; but Plutarch, in his Parallels, will have him to have been begotten incestuously by Valerius, on his daughter Valeria. Fenestella says, that Pan,

Faunus,

Sce the life of Heliogabalus, in Crevier, Vol.VIII. p. 228, & seq.

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Faunus, and Sylvanus, were the same deity. The Luperci were their priests, and their feasts the Lu-

percalia.

Templum Telluris, the temple of the Earth (GH. ef), which the Romans worshipped both as a god and a goddess, by the names of Tellus and Tellumo. Tellus was the semale, and supposed to receive and nourish the seeds which came from the male Tellumo.

Templum Veneris, the temple of Venus (CD. ef), near the Circus Maximus; supposed, by some, to have been erected by Augustus to Venus Genetrix, or Venus the Mother!

Templum Veneris & Cupidinis, the temple of Venus and Cupid (GH. fg). in the angle within the walls of Rome, near the gate Nævia.

Templum Veneris Erycinæ, the temple of Venus Erycina (HI. ab), near the Via Salaria, without the walls of Rome.

Templum Veneris Erycinæ & Mentis, the temple of Venus Erycina and the Mind (CD. d. 253), upon the Capitoline hill, and near the Via Capitolina; but by whom built, or on what occasion, is more than we

can fay.

Simulacrum Veneris Verticordiæ (H. ab). In the year of Rome 627, the senate, afflicted at the great depravity of the Romans, consulted the books of the Sibyls, for a remedy; and, in consequence of the answer they were supposed to give, resolved that a temple should be erected to Venus, under the new surname of Verticordia, which implied, that she was invoked to turn the heart. It was also added, that a statue of Venus should be placed and dedicated in this temple, by the most virtuous woman in Rome: a singular regulation, in a matter not a little delicate. In consequence of this, the ladies themselves nominated an hundred from amongst them; and out of

See Rollin's Rom. Hist. Vol. XIV. p. 197.

this hundred, ten were chosen by lot, who unanimously singled out Sulpicia, the daughter of Sulpicius Paterculus, and wife of Q. Fulvius Flaccus &. This is very like the chusing of Scipio Nasica, as the worthiest and most upright man among the Romans, to fetch the mother of the gods from Pessionuntum in Phrygia, as we have already mentioned.

Templum Vertumni, the temple of Vertumnus (CD. de. 271), near the Forum Boarium, or Ox-market. Vertumnus was the god of gardens, and also an emblem of the year. He was worshipped under a thousand various forms: for which reason Horace says, Vertumnis natus iniquis, as if there were as many different Vertumni, as there were different forms by which this deity was represented. The Greeks called him Proteus.

Templum Vestæ, T. Dei Panis, & T. Eliogabali; the temple of Vesta, Pan, and Heliogabalus (DE. e. 279). How these three came to be joined here, we know not. Vesta, according to Ennius, or Entæmerus, quoted by Lactantius, was the wife of Uranus, the father of Saturn, the first that reigned in the world. This genealogy is like that of Sanchoniatho, excepting that he calls the earth the wife of Uranus, which we know has been confounded with Vesta. Vesta passed trom Phœnicia into Greece, where, Diodorus Siculus fays, the was looked upon as the daughter of Saturn and Rhea, and the first inventress of architecture. However, it is not to be -doubted, but that Vesta was every where also taken for a goddess of nature, under whose name the earth and fire were worshipped, rather than for an hiltorical goddess. Ovid says, that Vesta was the daughter of Saturn and Rhea, as well as Juno and Ceres: that these two last married, but that Vesta continued a virgin, and barren, as fire is pure and

[&]quot;See Rollin's Rom. Hiff. Vol. IX. p. 106.

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barren. The same poet adds, that the perpetual sire was the only representation they had of Vesta; the true image of sire being not to be given; and that it was the custom of the ancients to keep sire at the entrance of their houses, which from thence retained the name of Vestibulum, or Vestibule. The Vestal virgins were the priestesses of this goddess.

THEATRES AND AMPHITHEATRES.

The Theatres of the Romans, borrowed from those of the Greeks, were semi-circular, and designed for dramatic entertainments. Their Amphitheatres, intended for the greater shews of gladiators, wild beasts, &c. were round, or, more generally, oval, like two Theatres joined together. The principal divisions of these buildings were the Scena, Proscenium, and Area, of which the classic authors make frequent mention.

The Scena was a partition reaching quite cross the theatre, being either versatilis or dustilis, to turn round, or draw up, in order to present a new pros-

pect to the spectators.

The Proscenium was the space just before the scene,

where the actors performed '.'

The middle part, or Area of the Amphitheatre, was called Cavea, because it was considerably lower than the rest (whence perhaps the name of Pit in our play-houses;) and Area, because it used to be strown with sand, to hinder the combatants from slipping.

The feats were distinguished according to the ordinary division of the people into senators, knights, and commons. The first range was called Orchestra'; the second Equestria; the third Popularia.

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dances were performed in that part of the Grecian theatres.

Cafalius de Urb. Rom. & Imp. Splend. lib. 2. c. 5.

Polydor. Virg. de Rer. invent. l. 3. c. 13.

^b Serv. in Georg. 3.
^c Rosin. lib. 5. c. 4.

⁴ From igxtiobat; because the

In the first ages of the commonwealth, the theatres of the Romans were only temporary, and built of wood, so slightly, that they sometimes fell down with great destruction; of which we have a remarkable instance in that of Fidenæ, which maimed, or crushed to death, sifty thousand spectators.

The most magnificent of these moveable, or temporary, theatres, was that of *M. Scaurus*, mentioned by Pliny ^g, and described at large by M. Rollin ^h. Pompey the Great was the first that raised a fixed theatre at Rome, which he built very nobly with hewn stone, and for which he was severely censured,

as introducing a new custom i.

The remains of this theatre of Pompey are still to be seen at Rome, as are also those of some others: but we shall confine ourselves here to the three follow-

ing, noticed in this plan: viz.

The Colifeum (DE. e), called also, by corruption, Colosseum, quasi à Colosso, says Philander, from a colossal statue of Nero, which stood near it. This Amphitheatre, of which there still are most stately remains (finely drawn by Piraness), was built by Vespasian, and dedicated by his son Titus; whence it is also called sometimes the Flavian, and sometimes Titus's amphitheatre. It's situation, as Suetonius observes k, and as we see by this plan, was nearly in the middle of the city. M. Crevier describes it in the sixth volume of his history of the Roman Emperors.

The amphitheatre of Statilius Taurus (GH. fg), built, in the reign of Augustus, by Statilius Taurus, presect of Rome.

f See Crevier, Vol. II. p. 291.

^g Lib. 36. c. 15.

h Rom. Hist. Vol. III. p. 16.
and Vol. XII. p. 156.

Rom. Hist. Vol. III. p. 20, 22. and Vol. XII. p. 325.

k In Tito, c. 7.

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M See Crevier's Rom. Emp. Vol. 1. p. 33.

Tacit. Ann. 14. and Rollin,

Marcellus's Theatre (C. d. 228), built by Augustus in honour of his nephew Marcellus. The remains of this Theatre, finely represented by Piranesi, are, as Fabricius observes, by far the most persect of any of

the ancient Roman buildings.

The Romans had also another kind of public edifice, called Odeum, much after the manner of a Theatre, where the musicians and actors rehearsed their parts before their appearance on the stage. Plutarch gives the following description of one of their Odea at Athens, from whence the Romans undoubtedly took the hint of theirs. "In the inside, says he, it was full of seats and ranges of pillars; and on the outside, the roof, or covering, was made from a point at top, with a great many bendings, all shelving downward, in imitation of a Persian pa-

TOMBS.

The tombs mentioned in this plan, are, Adrian's Tomb, now the castle of St. Angelo' (C. b).

Augustus's Tomb or Mausoleum (DE.b. 48.)

That of C. Cestius, in the form of a pyramid, much noticed by antiquarians, near the gate Trigemina (BC. fg).

The sepulchre of the Domitian family (EF. bc).

That of Nero (DE. ab): and that of

Scipio Africanus (BC. ab. 15).

Under this head we may also, not improperly, notice,

n Crevier, Vol. I. p. 226.

· Rom. c. 12.

9 Rosin. 1. 5. c. 4.

r In Pericle.

and Crevier, Vol. VII. p. 156.
¹ Nardini has given correct

drawings of this tomb, in his Roma Antica; and Piranesi has given an elegant one, in his

Views of Rome.

The

P Fabric. Rom. c. 12.

^{*} See Donatus and Nardini,

The place where the dead bodies of the Roman citizens were burnt, L. Ust. Civium (HI. d), and the trench in which their bones were afterwards buried. Fossa in quam projiciebant ossa cadaverum ustorum (HI. de): though we are apt to think that the former of these is marked somewhat wrong in this plan "; a law of the Romans expressly forbidding any dead body to be burnt, or buried, within the walls of the city.

TROPHIES.

The design of trophies needs no explication: nor can the shape of them be better described than it is in

Virgil's second Æneid.

Uf those which Marius raised after the Cimbric war, still remaining at Rome, we have this account in Fabricius": "They are two trunks of marble "hung round with spoils. One of them is covered with a scaly corslet, with shields and other military ornaments. Just before it is set a young man in "the posture of a captive, with his hands tied be-"hind him; and all round were winged images of "victory. The other is set out with the common " military garb; having a shield of an unequal round, and two helmets, one open and adorned with crests, the other close without crests. On "the same trophy is the shape of a soldier's coat, "with several other designs, which, by reason of "the decay of the marble, are very difficult to be discovered."

These two trophies now adorn the front of the present Capitol.

they were in the time of ancient Rome; which is the opinion of

"Unless the walls of the city J. B. Donius, in his ingenious are extended here beyond what Treatise De restituenda Sulubritate Agri Romani. w Cap. 14.



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